# OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS INFORMATION

# BUNKHOUSES

Located just steps from the Visitor's Centre, groups have the use of three bunkhouses (2 sleeping cabins – capacity of 14 people each & 1 kitchen/common area cabin), as well as a covered pavilion facility. Bunkhouses can accommodate 28 campers, with additional space available for tenting for any overflow.





# TENTING WITH PORTABLE

Located within a 5-minute walk from the Visitor's Centre, groups have the use of a large open field for tenting, as well as a portable with electricity.



FACILITY	CAPACITY	HEAT/ Electricity	KITCHEN *	HOT WATER	COLD WATER	POTABLE WATER*	WASHROOMS*	SHOWERS	COMPOSTING Toilet	FIRE PIT	TENTING AREA	BUNK BEDS	MATTRESSES	TELEPHONE	PICNIC TABLES
BUNKHOUSES	28	~	~		•	~	~		•	√	~	~	~	~	~
TENTING WITH PORTABLE	100	~				~	~		•	✓	~				~

• Seasonal use only (May long weekend – Thanksgiving long weekend)

Kitchen\* - includes fridge, stove and microwave. Broom and dustpan also provided.

Potable water\* - you will be provided with a 5 gallon water jug that can be re-filled at the centre throughout your visit.

Washrooms\* - 24-hour access to Visitor Centre washroom facilities

### ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

• **Garbage** removal and disposal is **NOT** provided. To ensure a full security deposit refund, please make arrangements to dispose of your waste off-site. Both recycling and organic composting is provided and disposed of by the Wye Marsh staff.

#### • What time can we arrive? Will someone be there to greet us?

• Your arrival time will be arranged at the time of booking and confirmed a couple of weeks prior to your arrival. There will be a staff who will greet you at the Visitor's Centre upon your arrival, at which time we ask that one leader will be available for a brief orientation with our staff.

#### • Is there Wifi?

• No. There is also limited cell phone reception in certain areas (depending on your carrier). For those staying in the Bunkhouses, there is access to a land line phone.

#### Will our belongings be safe when unattended?

If staying in the Bunkhouses you will be given a set of keys that include a set to lock up each cabin. If tenting, we suggest that you lock up any valuables in your vehicle as the onsite portable (referred to as the 'Scout's Cabin') does not lock. Our facility and grounds are open to the public, therefore it is advised that anything of value be secured or left at home.

#### • Do we have to worry about dangerous animals?

 We are a National Wildlife Area that many different critters call home (one of the reasons we hope that has drawn you to staying here). We have had sightings of black bears, fishers, coyotes, snapping turtles, deer, moose, owls and swans just to name a few! Isn't that fantastic! We have never had any reports of wildlife altercations with visitors. We simply advise groups to remain respectful to all wildlife and to take the necessary precautions (keep areas clean of food so as not to attract wildlife to your site, never travel alone, stay on designated trails etc.)

#### What do we do in case of an emergency?

Call 9-1-1. Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre is located at 16160 Hwy 12 E, Midland ON L4R 4K6. You will be
provided with a list of staff contacts in the event that you have a non-emergency situation (plumbing or
electrical problems, locked out etc).

#### • What is the access for moving all of our gear?

The parking lot is adjacent to the Bunkhouses and therefore all gear can easily be moved in from your parked vehicles. Access to the Scout's Cabin tenting area is via a service road, in which most vehicles can travel. One vehicle is permitted to stay at the site throughout your stay. This road however is unavailable during the winter months, therefore groups must pack in their gear via our trail network (about a 10 minute trek – see site map on page 5). Wagons/sleds are recommended for making this process easier.

#### What type of amenities do the accommodations offer?

• Please see the 'At a Glance' table on page 2 in order to see what each accommodation had to offer.

#### What should we bring?

• Please see our 'What to Bring' section (for both leaders and participants) on page 4.

#### • When are the programs scheduled, where do we go for them?

 Program timing is flexible and will be arranged at time of booking. Typically morning programs will be scheduled from 10am-12pm, with afternoon sessions being from 1pm-3pm or 2pm-4pm, depending on how much time your group would like for lunch. You will be given a program itinerary upon your arrival, which will detail what time as well as where and who to meet for your chosen programs.

#### • Is there a store onsite? What does it sell?

- Our Marsh Memories store is located within our Visitor's Centre lobby and sells various nature related merchandise such as books, clothing, cards/postcards, jewelry, mugs and local honey and maple syrup (depending on the season). We also sell hot and cold drinks as well as light snacks.
- Wye Marsh crests are available at a cost of \$3 each. We offer a discount of 10% if they are ordered in advance on behalf of the whole group.

#### Where is the nearest hospital?

 Georgian Bay General Hospital is located approximately 10km away (15 min drive) at 1112 Saint Andrews Drive, Midland, ON L4R 4P4

#### • Where is the nearest town?

• The Town of Midland is approximately 7km away (10 minute drive) via Hwy 12 E & Kings Street. There are many local and chain restaurants, a grocery store as well as a Walmart Superstore.

# WHAT TO BRING

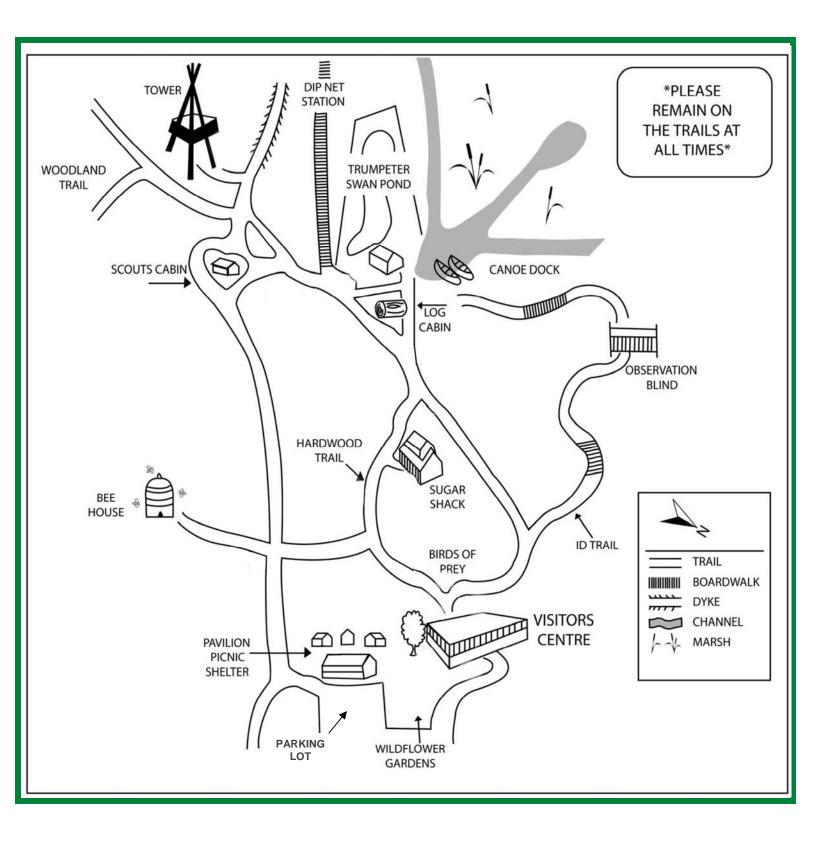
Waterproof, warm, and/or fast drying materials (fleece, wool, and polypropylene/wicking fabric) are recommended to be worn in loose layers.

ALL SEASONS	SPRING/FALL NEEDS - ADD:	WINTER NEEDS – ADD:					
<ul> <li>Two pairs of long pants</li> <li>Two shirts</li> <li>One warm jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt</li> <li>Outdoor shoes/boots</li> <li>Indoor shoes/slippers</li> <li>One waterproof jacket</li> <li>Reusable water bottle</li> <li>Mess kit</li> <li>Toiletries (no showers)</li> <li>Pillow and sleeping bag</li> <li>Flash light</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Wide brimmed hat</li> <li>Rubber boots</li> <li>Sunscreen</li> <li>Insect repellent</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>One heavy winter coat</li> <li>Snow pants</li> <li>Two pairs of winter mittens/gloves</li> <li>One toque</li> <li>One scarf</li> <li>Two pairs of heavy socks</li> <li>One pair of winter boots</li> <li>Long underwear</li> </ul>					
OPTIONAL ITEMS	do not	BRING					
<ul> <li>Pen</li> <li>Notebook</li> <li>Camera</li> <li>Binoculars</li> <li>Sunglasses</li> <li>Musical instrument</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Any valuable clothing/it</li> <li>Electronic devices (cell</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Any valuable clothing/items</li> <li>Electronic devices (cell phones, tablets, computer games etc.). No WiFi available and cell reception is</li> </ul>					

# ATTENTION LEADERS

The following is a list of suggested items that are to be the responsibility of the leader(s) to provide:

SUGGESTED ITEMS					PROVIDED			
	Pots and pans Serving utensils Mixing bowls Cutting board		Dish towels Dish soap Oven mitts Axe		Wash basin/sink Dish drying rack Broom/dust pan Garbage & garbage bags,			
	Sharp knives Can opener		Matches	, v	recycling, and compost bins			



### FROM TORONTO/BARRIE

- Hwy 400 N
- Exit 121 (Hwy 93)
- Hwy 93 N (through Hillsdale, Orr Lake, Waverley & Wyebridge) to Hwy 12
- East/right on Hwy 12 (past King Street & William Street.
- Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre on Right

### FROM SUDBURY/PARRY SOUND

- Hwy 69 S (becomes Hwy 400 S)
- Exit Hwy 12 W (towards Midland/Waubaushene) Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre on Left (just past light at Old Fort Road/Ogden's Beach Road)

### FROM COLLINGWOOD/WASAGA BEACH

- Travel east on Simcoe Rd 92 to Elmvale
- Go north on Simcoe Rd 27 to Waverley
- Hwy 93 N (left at the lights through Wyebridge to Hwy 12)
- East/right on Hwy 12 (past King Street & William Street.
- Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre on Right

### FROM ORILLIA/GRAVENHURST/BRACEBRIDGE

- Hwy 11 S
- Exit Hwy 12 W (Coldwater Road) to Midland
- Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre on Left (just past the light at Old Fort Road/Ogden's Beach Road)

16160 Hwy 12 E, Midland ON L4R 4K6 (Across from Martyr's Shrine & same driveway as Ste. Marie Among the Hurons)

