

# CANADIAN BIO-BLITZ

IN HONOUR OF THE 2007  
INTERNATIONAL DAY  
FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

## MAY 26-27, 2007



## **M**ACOUN MARSH, SOUTH-EAST CORNER OF BEECHWOOD CEMETERY IN OTTAWA, ONTARIO

### HIGHLIGHTS:

1) MAY 26<sup>TH</sup> GRAND OPENING OF OUR NEW OUTDOOR CLASSROOM WITH DAVID COATES, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS OFFICER FOR INLAND WATERS FOR THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT OF THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY.

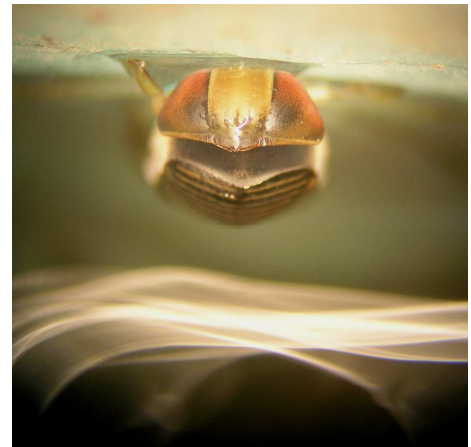
2) THE UNITED NATIONS HAS ANNOUNCED THEIR THEME FOR THE 2007 INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY. THIS THEME IS *BIODIVERSITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE*. SEVERAL THEME-RELATED DISPLAYS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC. REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE CANADIAN BIODIVERSITY INSTITUTE, THE CANADIAN MUSEUM OF NATURE, AND SEVERAL LOCAL SCHOOLS WILL BE INVOLVED.

3) WE WILL HOST A BIO-BLITZ OF THE MACOUN MARSH STUDY AREA. THIS IS A 24-HOUR INVENTORY OF ALL LIVING ORGANISMS. SEVERAL SCIENTISTS WILL TAKE PART IN THIS EVENT.

# Great Canadian Bio-Blitz

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### Macoun Marsh, Beechwood Cemetery



The event will take place all day Saturday and Sunday (including an evening and night-time period "Creatures of the Night") to celebrate International Biodiversity Day. The Bio-Blitz will also be the inaugural event at the new outdoor classroom at the marsh. There will be tables set up in the outdoor classroom to display Educarium/ JVC materials about species already found, and microscopes and new material brought in by the participants to be identified. Participants will go out into the field to identify species and also be available to talk with the public about what they have found. A Grand Opening event will take place on the west side of the marsh on the Saturday at 10:30 am.

Organizations/ People involved to date:

- ⊗ *United Nations Secretariat Of The Convention On Biological Diversity*
- ⊗ *Educarium Grade 6 & 7 students*
- ⊗ *Jean Vanier Catholic Intermediate School*
- ⊗ *Canadian Biodiversity Institute*
- ⊗ *Canadian Museum of Nature (Tara Conroy)*
- ⊗ *Beechwood Cemetery*
- ⊗ *Ottawa Field Naturalists/ Macoun Youth Club*
- ⊗ *Irwin Brodo (Lichen Expert)*
- ⊗ *Fenja Brodo (Insects/ Craneflies)*
- ⊗ *Andrea Howard (General Naturalist/Teacher)*
- ⊗ *Jim Dyer (Pollinators workshop)*
- ⊗ *Heather Hamilton (Key organizer)*
- ⊗ *Michael Leveille (Key organizer)*

