



WHITESHELL
PROVINCIAL PARK

Free Programs for Schools and Groups



ALFRED HOLE
GOOSE SANCTUARY & VISITOR CENTRE

Dear Educators,

The Alfred Hole Goose Sanctuary is inviting you to get a close-up look at the wildlife of the boreal forest - nesting Canada geese, white-tailed deer, bald eagles, snapping turtles and more! We are pleased to offer **free** interpretive programming to educators and group leaders. Programs are available for all ages.

The Alfred Hole Goose Sanctuary is located just outside the town of Rennie, near the central entrance to Whiteshell Provincial Park. As you visit the Canadian Shield - granite ridges, tall pines and beautiful lakes will greet you at every stop. Our programs are a perfect addition to a trip you may be planning in the area, or a reason to discover the beauty of the shield region on its own.

Interpretive Programs emphasize hands-on activities and are designed to be age appropriate. They can be adapted to fit your needs. You can choose from a selection of ready-made programming listed on the next page or request additional topics.

For groups already traveling through our area, the Visitor Centre Tour is a great way to stop and stretch your legs. Picnic grounds are available for those groups who need a place to break for lunch. The Visitor Centre is wheelchair accessible.

If you are unable to come to us, why not ask us to come to you? Interpreters can deliver extension programs for an in-classroom visit. Have us come to you for a pre-trip visit to help you get ready for a camping trip to the Whiteshell (we can also drop-by your site when you are on your camping adventure).

Guided Hikes and Programs at the Alfred Hole Visitor Centre are available from April until October, Winter Walks can be booked from November until March, and extension programs are available year-round. Please contact me for bookings and questions at 204-369-3157 or Morgan.Hallett@gov.mb.ca.

Thank-you for your time and I hope to hear from you soon!

Morgan Hallett
Senior Park Interpreter

* Program must be pre-booked to ensure space and interpreter availability. *

Let an Interpreter Show You the Way ... Guided Hike for All Ages

Take a guided hike on the Alfred Hole Goose Sanctuary Trail and discover Whiteshell Provincial Park with the help of an interpreter. The Alfred Hole Goose Sanctuary Trail (2.5 km return) is the perfect length for everyone and is conveniently located directly on the visitor centre site. The following topics are available on this trail:

- Animal Signs
- Birds!
- Climate Change
- Fall Adaptations
- Great Glaciation
- The Boreal Forest
- Understanding Ungulates
- Wild About Wetlands

Or try a full day excursion on a longer trail...

- Cabin Lake Trail (4.6 km)
- Amisk Trail (4.8 km)
- Rainbow Falls Trail (8 km)

Other trails within the park can also be booked, just let the interpreter know what your group is interested in.

Pick a Program... Games, Craft Experiments and More

These programs have an emphasis on hands-on activities. Pair them with a guided hike or pick more than one for a half day or full day excursion.

- Amazing Astronomy
- Bats!
- Bears in our Backyard?
- Caribou Capers
- Goose Games
- Owls of the Night
- Reptiles and Amphibians
- Terrific Tracks
- Pine-ing for Plants
- Whiteshell Rocks
- Wild About Wolves
- World Of Water

Winter Walks and Campfire Talks

Join the interpreter for a winter adventure. Take a winter hike on the groomed walking trail at Jessica Lake (1.5 km) and then follow-up with an interpretive campfire. Winter programs can be presented on any of the above topic or can focus on the adaptations it takes to thrive and survive a Manitoba Winter.

Other programs can be made to fill specific requirements by contacting me at 204-369-3157 or by e-mail at Morgan.Hallett@gov.mb.ca.