

# Perth & District Union Public Library

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## Press Release

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### Perth & District Library to Host Virtual Talk with Dr. Shelley Ball

The Perth & District Union Public Library will be hosting a virtual talk with Shelley Ball (PhD), author of the newly released “Lyme Disease, Ticks and You: A Guide to Navigating Tick Bites, Lyme Disease and Other Tick-Borne Infections.” This virtual event will be held Thursday, May 6th at 7:00 pm on Zoom.

Dr. Shelley Ball is a scientist, photographer, and the Founder and President of Biosphere Environmental Education, a social enterprise focused on connecting people with nature. Living in Westport, ON, Dr. Shelley Ball has firsthand knowledge of the rampant tick population in this area.

In her virtual presentation, Dr. Ball will discuss her new book, “Lyme Disease, Ticks and You,” to help educate attendees about ticks, bite prevention, the science behind Lyme disease and what to do if you suspect you might have a tick-borne infection. Dr. Ball will answer audience questions at the end of her presentation. What better way to honour Lyme Awareness Month and prepare for a safe and enjoyable summer spent outdoors?

Sign up for this virtual event via Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/author-talk-with-dr-shelley-ball-lyme-disease-ticks-and-you-tickets-151857958241>, or call 613-267-1224.

Are you unable to attend this event? Rideau Lakes Public Library is also hosting an Author Talk with Dr. Ball on Wednesday, May 5th. Contact [lauralee@rlpl.ca](mailto:lauralee@rlpl.ca), or 613-803-7812, to register for their event.

The Perth & District Library has other virtual events this month to help you stay busy through the stay-at-home order.

For newborns, ages 0-1: Join Heidi every Tuesday at 10:30 am for Virtual Babytime. Heidi introduces new parents and their newborns to a variety of songs and rhymes to lay the foundation for early literacy.

For toddlers and children, ages 1-5: Join Heidi every Thursday at 9:30 am for Virtual Storytime. Heidi leads a combination of songs, rhymes and stories to develop the five building blocks of early literacy: play, sing, talk, read, and write.

For all ages: Join Emily on Monday, May 17th at 2:00 pm for the Open Knitting Group. Enjoy casual conversation with a welcoming group of knitters of all experience levels.

To learn more about the services and programs offered by your library, visit [www.perthunionlibrary.ca](http://www.perthunionlibrary.ca).



# AUTHOR TALK

with

## DR. SHELLEY BALL

May 6 \* 7:00 pm \* Zoom

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# Lyme Disease, Ticks and You

A Guide to Navigating Tick Bites, Lyme Disease and Other Tick-Borne Infections

