

# Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge

## 2024 Schedule of Events

Note: VC = Visitor Center



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Visitor Center: Tues – Sun, 10am to 4pm Wildlife Drive: Daily, Dawn to Dusk

### March 16 – Blackwater’s Annual Eagle Festival.

9am - 4pm. Visitor Center. Experience live eagle & other birds of prey programs, kid’s programs & activities, Eagle Prowls & Wildlife Drive tours, nature and conservation exhibits, and food all day! No fee for Wildlife Drive!

April 7 – Guided Birding\* 8am with Terry Allen (meet at VC)

April 28 – Guided Birding\* 8am with Ron Ketter (meet at VC)

May 5 – Guided Birding\* 8am with Terry Allen (meet at VC)

### June 1 – Blackwater’s Annual Youth Fishing Fun Day.

9am - 1pm. Pavilion at the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad State Park. Free fishing event for youths 15 and under. Poles and bait provided. Free hot dog lunch and goodies to first 100 registered youth. Preregister beginning May 1<sup>st</sup> at 410-228-2677.

June 19 – No Fee for Wildlife Drive, Juneteenth Holiday

September 28 – No Fee for Wildlife Drive, National Public Lands Day

October 13 – No Fee for Wildlife Drive, National Wildlife Refuge Week Kickoff

November 11 – No Fee for Wildlife Drive, Veterans Day

All December – 10% off your purchase at the FOB’s Eagle’s Nest Nature Store!

Monthly – Night Sky Tours telescope program, hosted by the Friends of Blackwater.

Visit [www.friendsofblackwater.org](http://www.friendsofblackwater.org) for details.

\*Note – Guided birding tours meet at 8:00 am at the Blackwater Visitor Center, 2145 Key Wallace Drive, Cambridge, MD, 21613. Tours may last 3-4 hours. Bring your binoculars and dress appropriately for the weather. The birding party will caravan via car to birding hotspots around the Wildlife Drive. Fall Guided Birding dates will be added later.

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More to come! Calendar updates can be found at:

[www.fws.gov/refuge/Blackwater/events](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/Blackwater/events) or [www.friendsofblackwater.org](http://www.friendsofblackwater.org)

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