



# Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge

## Program Descriptions

Unless otherwise stated, programs begin at the visitor center.

\*Programs marked with an asterisk require reservations. Call 419-898-0014 to save your spot!

### OTTAWA WILDLIFE DRIVE

Enjoy the refuge from the comfort of your car! The 7 mile ONE WAY route departs from the visitor center entrance road. Open sunrise to sunset on select dates. (Entrance gate closes one hour prior to sunset)

### \*BLUE GOOSE BUS TOUR\*

Join a ranger for behind the scenes access to closed areas of the refuge complex. Destinations vary depending on wildlife use and activity.

### \*EAGLE TOUR\*

Enjoy our national icon during this back roads bus tour of Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge.

### HIKE THE DIKES

“Hike the Dikes” is a cooperative program with Magee Marsh Wildlife Area and Black Swamp Bird Observatory. Attend three and earn a hiking stick!

### MONTHLY BIRD SURVEYS

Join refuge volunteers and become a citizen scientist the first Sunday of each month at 8:00 am. Bring your binoculars and dress for the weather.

*Meet at the trailhead parking area.*

### KIDS FISHING DAY

Join us for an exciting day of catch and release fishing at the Visitor Center pond! All equipment and bait are provided.

## YOUTH PROGRAMS

### \*NATURE TOTS\*

Children ages 3-5; bring your favorite adult for nature crafts, stories, and outdoor fun!

### \*SWAMPERS\*

Children ages 6-12; join us to explore the refuge and have a swampin' good time!

### \*MARSH MONDAYS\*

June 18, July 2, 16, 30, August 6, 13

Join us for outdoor adventure and fun! Children ages 8—12 meet from 9:30 am to 3 pm.

### \*Aqua Adventure Day Camp\*

June 19–22, July 10–13, July 24-27

9:30 am to 3 pm, ages 8-12

Dive into aquatic biology and discover the underwater creatures that thrive in wetlands.

### \*Refuge Ranger Day Camp\*

June 26–29, July 17-20, July 31-Aug 3, Aug 7-10

9:30 am to 3 pm, ages 8-12

Budding biologists discover plants and animals while exploring prairies, wetlands and woods at Ottawa NWR.



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## Calendar of Events

June—August, 2018

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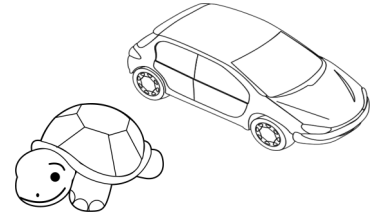


### OTTAWA WILDLIFE DRIVE

June 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30

July 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22

August 18, 19, 25, 26



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#### Saturday, June 2

10:30-11:30am— Nature Tots\*

1:00-2:30pm— Swampers\*

#### Sunday, June 3

8:00am— Monthly Bird Survey

#### Saturday, June 9

9am— Hike the Dikes

#### Sunday, June 10

10am-3pm— Kids Fishing Day

#### Saturday, June 16

10am-3pm— Kids Fishing Day

#### Sunday, June 17

9:30am-12pm— Eagle Tour\*

1pm- 3:30pm— Eagle Tour\*

#### Monday, June 18

9:30am-3pm— Marsh Mondays\*

#### June 19-22: Aqua Adventure Camp

#### June 26-29: Refuge Ranger Camp

#### Saturday, June 30

10am-3pm— Kids Fishing Day

#### Sunday, July 1

8:00am— Monthly Bird Survey

#### Monday, July 2

9:30am-3pm— Marsh Mondays\*

#### Saturday, July 7

10:30-11:30am— Nature Tots\*

1:00-2:30pm— Swampers\*

#### Sunday, July 8

9:30am-12pm— Eagle Tour\*

1pm- 3:30pm— Eagle Tour\*

#### July 10-13: Aqua Adventure Camp

#### Saturday, July 14

9am— Hike the Dikes

#### Monday, July 16

9:30am-3pm— Marsh Mondays\*

#### July 17-20: Refuge Ranger Camp

#### Sunday, July 22

9am-12pm— Blue Goose Bus Tour\*

1-4pm— Blue Goose Bus Tour\*

#### July 24-27: Aqua Adventure Camp

#### Saturday, July 28

10am-3pm— Kids Fishing Day

#### Sunday, July 29

10am-3pm— Kids Fishing Day

#### Monday, July 30

9:30am-3pm— Marsh Mondays\*

#### July 31-Aug 3: Refuge Ranger Camp

#### Saturday, August 4

10:30-11:30am— Nature Tots\*

1-2:30pm— Swampers\*

#### Sunday, August 5

8:00am— Monthly Bird Survey

#### Monday, August 6

9:30am-3pm— Marsh Mondays\*

#### Aug 7-10: Refuge Ranger Camp

#### Saturday, August 11

9am— Hike the Dikes

#### Sunday, August 12

9am-12pm— Blue Goose Bus Tour\*

1-4pm— Blue Goose Bus Tour\*

#### Monday, August 13

9:30am-3pm— Marsh Mondays\*

#### Saturday, August 18

10am-3pm— Kids Fishing Day

#### Sunday, August 19

10am-3pm— Kids Fishing Day