



UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT YOUR LOCAL NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES



ASSABET RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

(Refuge Open Daily Sunrise-Sunset; Visitor Center Fri-Sun 10am-4pm)

Visitor Center at 680 Hudson Road, Sudbury, MA. For questions about programs or to register contact Katie at kathryn_nathenson@fws.gov or 978-440-0875

Exhibit of the Month: MARCH	THE FIGHT AGAINST WILDLIFE TRAFFICKING Stop by the Visitor Center during regular hours and see our new monthly exhibit. This month features various confiscated items sourced from endangered wildlife.
Movie of the Month: MARCH	CLIMATE CHANGE: WILDLIFE & WETLANDS (Runtime: 12 min.) A video on climate change science and the impacts on wildlife and their habitat in the United States. Movie of the month plays on loop in the Visitor Center during regular hours throughout the month
Wednesday March 15th, 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	INTRO TO BATS FOR KIDS AT WOLBACH FARM Have you ever wondered what bats are up to during the springtime? Come join us for an afternoon of crafts and play to learn more about our winged relatives! In partnership with the Sudbury Valley Trustees we will be offering this event at the Wolbach Farm Barn (18 Wolbach Rd, Sudbury, MA 01776.) This event is free and open to the public. Please RSVP to kathryn_nathenson@fws.gov Please Note: This location is <u>not</u> on the refuge.
Friday March 17th, 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	SIGNS OF SPRING HIKE Spring is around the corner! Welcome in the upcoming first day of spring by looking for and learning about evidence of spring using all of our senses. How does wildlife transition? What predictions can we make about this upcoming spring? Learn the reasons for the seasons on this hour long trek around the varying habitats.
Wednesday March 22nd, at 7:00 pm	FRIENDS SPEAKER SERIES: DAN WOLFF Tick bites have become far more common in the past two decades, with Lyme disease being the subject of many headlines across the country. According to the Center for Disease Control, over 300,000 Americans are affected by Lyme disease every year. Come learn about ticks, their behavior and life-cycles and how they relate to the environment. Dan Wolff is the president and founder of TickEase, Inc., a products manufacturing company whose mission is to provide safe and effective tools for removing and repelling ticks, facilitating tick testing and educating the public for the prevention of tick-borne illnesses like Lyme disease. TickEase is a proud preferred prevention partner of the University of Rhode Island's TickEncounter Resource Center. Dan also founded Mass Deer Service, a suburban deer management program working closely with residents in the MetroWest area of Boston to control deer populations and help reduce the risk of exposure to tick-borne diseases. This is a presentation of the Friends of the Assabet River NWR. Talks are free and open to the public. For more information about membership and the refuge please visit www.farnwr.org
Friday March 24th, 10:30 am – 11:30 am	REFUGE FLEDGLINGS Nature themed program series that will include crafts, stories, and games or songs that will relate to a different topic each month. This month's theme will cover the Fisher. Programs will be held the 4 th Friday of every month 10:30am – 11:30am for 2 to 5 year olds; siblings welcome.

OXBOW NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Entrance: Still River Depot Road parking lot (at end of Still River Depot Road in Harvard, MA). For questions about programs, contact Rona Balco, President of Friends of Oxbow NWR, 978-779-2259 or Ada at ada.friendsoftheoxbownwr@gmail.com

<p>Saturday March 4th, 11:00 am – 12:00 noon</p>	<p>SNOWSHOEING & CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING Meet up with the Friends of the Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge at our Visitor Facility located at 80 Hospital Road, Devens, MA 01434. Come enjoy the weather while it lasts!</p>
<p>Saturday March 18th, 11:00 am – 12:00 noon</p>	<p>VERNAL POOL PUPPET SHOW Explore the world of vernal pools at the Bolton Public Library; this event is co-sponsored with the Bolton Conservation Commission.</p>
<p>Saturdays April 1st & April 8th, at 6:45 pm</p>	<p>ANNUAL WOODCOCK SURVEY Join Friends of the Oxbow for a spring sunset while listening to and watching (hopefully) the courtship flight of the American woodcock. Males spiral high in the air and dive back to the grassy field to attract females. Meet partway down Still River Depot Road in Harvard at the big National Wildlife Refuge sign on the right. For further information, contact Don Macfarlane at 978-897-7567. Rain dates are the following Sundays - April 2nd and 10th.</p>

GREAT MEADOWS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Concord Impoundments on Mosen Road, off Rte. 62 in Concord, MA

<p>Sunday March 12th, at 4:00 pm</p>	<p>MONTHLY NATURE WALKS: A Sense of Place at Great Meadows NWR (Mosen Rd. in Concord) Winter has come early to Great Meadows this month with snow highlighting all its floodplain features and icy rime, bringing dazzle to the trail edges. Join Cherrie to explore these marvels and more. Open to all ages. No pre-registration required. Co-sponsored with Friends of the Assabet River NWR <i>Please note: Refuge headquarters waives the entrance fee for these walks. However, I encourage everyone to consider purchasing a \$12 annual pass to help support critical visitor service needs at Great Meadows - Concord.</i> Meet at the information kiosk at Great Meadows NWR in Concord. Take Rte. 62 to Mosen Rd. Follow Mosen Rd. and turn left into refuge driveway when road turns sharply right. Follow refuge road to the parking lot at the end. GPS: 177 Mosen Rd., Concord, MA abutter to refuge driveway. For questions or to be added to the emailing list for notice of these and impromptu evening walks, contact cherrie.corey62@gmail.com or 978-760-1933.</p>
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REMINDER: PETS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON THE REFUGES
[Except Service Animals]

Contact Us

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http://www.fws.gov/refuge/assabet_river

Friends of Assabet River: <http://www.farnwr.org/>

Friends of the Oxbow NWR: <http://www.friendsoftheoxbownwr.org/>

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