



# Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge

## Calendar of Events

## Summer 2015

**BIRD BANDING** Watch and learn as birds are examined, weighed and banded as part of the MAPS survey of migratory birds.

Place: Jericho Ditch entrance; 1/2 mile south of parking area on Jericho Ditch Trail.

Registration: Not required. See note.

Dates: May 15, 22, June 5, 12, 26, July 2, 17, 24, 31, August 14, 2015.

Time: 7:00 am - 11:00 am

\*NOTE: Banding may be canceled due to weather or staffing conflicts. We suggest you call before your visit.

**GUIDED BUS TOURS AND CANOE TRIPS** Guided bus tours and canoe trips to Lake Drummond.

Registration: Contact Suffolk Tourism Office, 757/514-4130 (small fee and advance reservations required)

Dates: Most Saturdays, some weekdays, through November, 2015

**BUTTERFLY COUNT** Annual butterfly survey. All skill levels invited. Call so we can place you on a team, and then meet at the refuge headquarters the day of the survey.

Place: Meet at the 3100 Desert Rd, Suffolk, VA 23434.

Registration: Contact the Refuge office 757-986-3705

Date: Tuesday, July 21, 2015

Rain makeup: Thursday, July 23, 2015.

Time: 8:00 am - approx. 4 pm

**Fall Hunt Program** - Registration begins July 1, 2015

Register by phone or mail as directed in the 2015 Virginia Hunting Regulations guide. Online registration at [www.vaquotahunts.com](http://www.vaquotahunts.com)

Portions of the refuge will be closed  
to all other public use activities on scheduled hunt days.

**DEER HUNT** (Hunt guide # 701)

Scouting date: September 26, 2015

Hunt dates: October: 1, 2, 3, 9, 10, 30, 31, November: 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 2015

Registration dates: July 1, 2015 until the end of hunt season.

Cost: Application fee of \$7.50 plus non-refundable \$15.00 permit fee

**BLACK BEAR HUNT** (Hunt Guide #501)

Scouting date: November 5, 2015

Hunt dates: November 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21.

Registration: Fifty hunters will be selected by quota drawing conducted by VA Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. Each selectee will be allowed to designate one guest for a maximum total of 100 permits to be issued.

Registration dates: July 1 through September 25, 2015.

Cost: Registration for quota drawing \$7.50 plus refuge Bear Hunt permit \$25.00 for both selectees and their guests.

