



Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center

August 2016



2016 Outdoor Skills Day

August 6, 9:30am-12:30pm

Archery, birding, cooking, hunting and fishing are among the fun things to be taught by Department of Natural Resources staff and expert volunteers during the free and family-friendly August Horicon Marsh Outdoor Skills Day. Horicon Wildlife Educator Liz Herzmann says no registration is required for the event for all ages.

How's your aim?

The Horicon Bowmen and the DNR are proud to offer the archery camp at this year's event. People of all ages can try archery using the National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) equipment. Herzmann says this is the same easy-to-use equipment dozens of schools all across Wisconsin use in their physical education programs.

Campfire meals, birds and binoculars -- and safety, too!

Watch a cast iron cook in action and taste delicious treats, all prepared over the campfire. Members of the Wisconsin Trappers Association will have a booth with pelts, traps and information for anyone who is interested in learning more about regulated trapping. Certified Hunter Safety Instructors will be available with firearm action sets to demonstrate proper firearm use and safety. Expert birders will be on hand to show the basics of binocular use. Then, you can put those skills to action on a bird scavenger hunt.

Reel on in

New this year is a fishing station that will take interested people on a mock fishing trip. You get to choose the lake and species you want to fish, and then learn how to plan and execute a successful fishing trip. An instructor will assist on choosing and preparing the proper gear for the excursion. There will be a fish identification primer that will be accompanied with the pertinent rules and regulations. Finally, the participants will get to put their knowledge to the test as they get to fish with rods and plastic fish. Skills to be taught include map reading, knot tying, fish identification, regulations and casting. Try your hand at tying your own fly as well! For more information contact Liz Herzmann at elizabeth.herzmann@wisconsin.gov or 920-387-7893.





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Stories @ the Marsh 10-11am

Join DNR Wildlife Educators at Stories at the Marsh. Kids will have the chance to enjoy two great stories and make a craft related to the day's topic.

August 11: Butterflies

August 25: Mammal Mania



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Upcoming Events

August 2: I Spy Marsh Birds 10-11am. Grab a pair of our binoculars and hunt for birds!

August 9: Wild Edibles of the Marsh 10-11am. To eat or not to eat, that is the question!

August 15: Walk a Mile in a Warden's Shoes 10-11:30am. How exactly do they keep our natural resources safe?

August 16: Prairie Blooms Walk 10-11am. View the prairies around the education center and learn about the different flowers and their benefits to wildlife.

August 23: Explore Bowhunting 10-11:30am. Fun activities for kids who are interested in bow hunting! Target archery will be included.

August 30: Monarch Tagging 1-3pm. Catch monarchs and watch as DNR staff tag these magnificent migrants as they start their journey to Mexico.



Wild Women Workshop

August 27, 9am-3pm.

A fun hands on workshop designed for women ages 18 and up, focusing on various outdoor skills. Pre-registration is required. More details and registration forms at www.horiconmarsh.org or contact Liz Herzmann at elizabeth.herzmann@wisconsin.gov.



Websites of Interest!

Check out the Friends group on [Facebook!](#) Just search for "Horicon Marsh." [Twitter!](#) Just search for FHMIEC! If you would like more information, please e-mail Liz Herzmann at

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