

Schedule of Events

Fall/Winter 2016-2017

Logos represent the location of each event.



Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center (Hwy 28)



Marsh Haven Nature Center (Hwy 49)



Horicon National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center (Hwy Z)



September 3-4: Grandparents Weekend 9am-5pm. Free admission to all grandparents and grandchildren.



September 8: Stories at the Marsh: Slippery, Slimy, Scaly 10-11am. Two stories and a take home craft!



September 16: Guided Paddle 8am-12pm. Guided paddle of Horicon Marsh State Wildlife Area. Pre-registration required and \$15.



September 17: Marsha's Birthday 10-11am. It's Marsha the Turtle's first birthday! Join her and some of her slippery, slimy, and scaly friends as we learn about reptiles and amphibians.



September 22: Stories at the Marsh: Migration Masters 10-11am. Two stories and a craft!



September 23: Fall Living History Festival Education Day 8:30am-2:30pm. School groups and homeschool families are invited to the Marsh Haven encampment for a day filled with hands-on demonstrations.



September 24: Archery 10-11:30am. Try your hand at target archery. All equipment will be provided. No prior training is needed.



September 24: National Public Lands Day 10-11am. Celebrate by helping collect native prairie seed. Long pants and sturdy shoes are recommended. Meet at the Egret Trail boardwalk parking lot off of the refuge auto tour.



September 24: Fall Living History Festival 9am-9pm. Visit the encampment, Wolves Among Us program 1 pm, screening of War of 1812 movie with commentary by a local participant in the film 5pm, Astronomy program 7:30pm. \$



September 24: Native Garden Talks 11:30am-1:30pm. Every half hour at the Horicon Refuge Visitor Center (Cty Z).



September 25: Fall Living History Festival 9am-3pm. Visit the encampment, Wolves Among Us program 11am, Fur Trade program 1pm. \$



September 30: John Denver Tribute Concert featuring Jim Curry & Silent Auction 7pm. Waupun Historic City Hall Amphitheater. \$



October 1: John Denver Celebration Weekend 9am-9pm. Climate Change: What It Is and What You Can Do About It program 10:30am, Cowboy Campfire Concert 1pm, Gary Cross in Concert 7pm. \$



October 2: John Denver Celebration Weekend 9am-5pm. Will Kruger in Concert 1pm. Outdoor activities and nature programs. \$



October 8: Refuge 5K Run/Walk for Wildlife 9-11:30am. Celebrate National Wildlife Refuge Week! For pre-registration information: www.fonddulacrunningclub.com.



October 11: Waterfowl Walk 7:30-9am. Take a walk in search of migrating waterfowl and more!



October 13: Stories at the Marsh: Wildlife Detectives 10-11am. Two stories and a take home craft!



October 15: Horicon National Wildlife Refuge 75th Anniversary Open House 12-4pm. Special exhibits and family activities.



October 15: Crane Watch 4:30-6:30pm. Join educators at the Palmatory Street Overlook for an informative talk on the birds you see flying over-head. Picnic dinners encouraged. 1210 N. Palmatory Street, Horicon, WI.



October 15: Stargazing at the Marsh 5-8:00pm. Join members of the Northern Cross Science Foundation as they view the night sky through powerful telescopes. 1210 N. Palmatory Street, Horicon, WI.



October 21-22: Fall Night in the Museum Sleepover 6pm Friday-9am Saturday. Spend a "Night at the Museum" and discover the displays in darkness, learn by lamplight, and campout by the critters. Registration required. \$



October 22: Are you a Dabbling Duck 10am-2pm. Drop in anytime and compare yourself to a duck! Is your beak made for fish or plants? Come find out!



October 23: Monsters on the Marsh 9am-5pm. Visit in costume for trick or treating, fall-themed crafts, cookie & pumpkin decorating. All day family-friendly activities. \$



October 29: Birding Old Marsh Road 9-10:30am. Guided hike to view birds in an area of the refuge that is only open seasonally. 1/2 mile easy walking. Meet at the Egret Trail boardwalk parking lot off of the refuge auto tour.



October 29: Creatures of the Night 7-9pm. What happens in the Explorium when the lights go out? Learn about the creatures of the night in our family-friendly haunted Explorium! Don't let the fun and learning stop there, create a spooky craft or take a night hike, if you dare...



November 10: Stories at the Marsh: Oh Deer 10-11am. Two stories and a take home craft!



November 12: Autumn Open House 10am-3:30pm. Musical performances by children's artists Ken Lonquist and Dave Adler at 11am and 1pm; nature crafts, and holiday discounts at the Coot's Corner Gift Shop.



November 12: Cooking Wild Game-Venison 10am-12pm. Join DNR staffer and author of "Wild Rice Goose" for an hour presentation on how to cook venison. Then from 11am-12pm enjoy tasting some of the delicious meals and ask the author questions.



November 12-13: Veterans Weekend 9am-5pm. Free admission to all veterans.



November 19-27 & December 8-11 : Auto Tour Closed for Deer Gun Seasons Closed to vehicles, visitors are still welcome to use the area for hiking and other permissible activities but are required to wear blaze orange.



Dec 1: Entire Refuge Opens for wildlife observation and photography via hiking, snowshoeing and cross country skiing through March 15.



December 8: Stories at the Marsh: Snow 10-11am. Two stories and a take home craft!



December 10 & December 11: Christmas at Marsh Haven & Holiday Nature Craft Show 9am-3pm. Hike, snowshoe, horse-drawn sleigh rides, food and beverages, crafts for the kids.



December 12: Marsh Haven Nature Center closes for the Winter Season See you on April 17, 2017!



January 7: Walk it Off with Winter Wildlife 10-11:30am. Join wildlife educators as we shed a few holiday pounds while searching for the winter wildlife around the marsh! Snowshoes available if conditions permit.



January 12: Stories at the Marsh: Scats All That 10-11am. Two stories and a take home craft!



January 13: Full Moon Hike 7-8pm. Bundle up and join DNR staff for a night hike under the full moon.



January 21: Candlelight Hike 4-9pm. For more information visit: www.horiconmarsh.org.



January 26: Stories at the Marsh: Owls 10-11am. Two stories and a take home craft!

**** All events are subject to change; please check the appropriate website for changes and/or additional events. ****



February 4: Owl Prowl 3-8pm. Two-part field trip, come to one or both parts. At 3pm meet at the education center to drive in search of owls. At 6:30pm meet in the auditorium for a program and then hike to call for owls.



February 9: Stories at the Marsh: Tricky Tracks 10-11am. Two stories and a take home craft!



February 11: Cooking Wild Game- Fish 10am-12pm. Join DNR staffer and author of "Wild Rice Goose" for an hour presentation on how to cook wild caught fish. Then from 11am-12pm enjoy tasting some of the delicious meals and ask the author questions.



February 11: Winter Wonderland 10am-2pm. Visit the rustic environmental education barn and enjoy crafts, displays, and hot chocolate after snowshoeing, skiing, or hiking on the refuge. Some snowshoes are available for loan. N10755 South Point Rd. (Off Cty Z & H).



February 18: Winter Wild Women Workshop 8am-12pm. A fun and hands-on workshop designed for women ages 18 and up, focusing on various outdoor skills. Pre-registration required. Snowshoes will be provided if conditions permit.



February 18: Eagle Adventure 1-4pm. Meet at the Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center. Carpool to some areas that have held Bald Eagles in the past. Bring warm clothes and binoculars. Spotting scopes will be available. Eagle be a good time!



February 23: Stories at the Marsh: Eagle Eyes 10-11am. Two stories and a take home craft!



March 4: Nestbox Seminar 9am-3:30pm. Learn about cavity nesting birds and how you can help. For information visit: www.horiconmarsh.org.



March 9: Stories at the Marsh: Outdoor Fun 10-11am. Two stories and a take home craft!



March 16: Majority of Refuge Closes to Visitor Access for bird migration/nesting seasons. Public use areas (auto tour/trails, Bud Cook Hiking Area, Main Dike Road, fishing accesses, Hwy 49 Viewing Area) remain open year-round for approved recreational activities.



March 18: Spring Open House 9am-1pm. Join us for an open house with displays, talks and hikes focusing on turkey hunting, native plant design, Keep Wildlife Wild, fishing and more!



March 23: Stories at the Marsh: Turkey Tracks 10-11am. Two stories and a take home craft!



April 1: Eye on Invasives 10-11am. Garlic mustard, buckthorn, wild parsnip, dame's rocket oh my! What are these alien invaders and how can you help them from spreading?



The Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center is operated and owned by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. It is located on the southeast side of Horicon Marsh on Highway 28 between the cities of Horicon and Mayville.

Friends of the Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center encourages and facilitates the connection between people and the Horicon Marsh. Mission objectives are achieved through collaboration, financial support and volunteer assistance to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. For more information about the Friends group please visit www.horiconmarsh.org or call 920-387-7890.



Marsh Haven Nature Center is a non-profit nature center located on the north end of the Horicon Marsh, just three miles east of Waupun on Highway 49. It is an independent nature center run by volunteers and supported by a strong and loyal membership, small admission fees, grant funding, and support from businesses and other organizations. Visit www.marshhaven.com for more information and calendar updates.



The Horicon National Wildlife Refuge Office and Visitor Center is operated and owned by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service. It is located on the east side of the marsh just off of Highway Z.

The Friends of Horicon National Wildlife Refuge's mission is to promote conservation, awareness, and appreciation of the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge. For more information about the Friends group please visit horiconwrfriends.org.

Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center

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www.horiconmarsh.org
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Weekends 10am-5pm
Closed on Major Holidays
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Marsh Haven Nature Center

W10145 State Hwy 49 East,
Waupun, WI 53963
Phone: 920-324-5818
Director's mobile: 920-318-9518
Email: director@marshhaven.com
Website: www.marshhaven.com
Hours: Weekdays 12-4pm
Weekends 9am-5pm
Mid-April through Mid-December
Extended hours by appointment

Horicon National Wildlife Refuge Office/Visitor Center

W4279 Headquarters Road
Mayville, WI 53050
920-387-2658 x124
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Websites: www.fws.gov/refuge/horicon
horiconwrfriends.org
Hours April-November: Mon.-Sat. 9am-4pm.
(and Sundays in October), Labor Day and Columbus Day.
Jan-Mar: Monday-Friday 9am-4pm + 1 Sat/ month
2017: Jan 21, Feb 11, Mar 18,
(Closed all other federal holidays.)

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