AUDUBON NATURE TOURS & PROGRAMS

March – May 2018 For more information and to register, visit the events calendar at www.asri.org

A Note from the Editor:

We hope to see you on the trails as the temperatures warm! Download and print this handy reference for upcoming programs. Please note that the Audubon Nature Tours and Programs Guide will no longer be printed or mailed. Looking to the future, we want to ensure that we use contributions from our supporters wisely, as well as limit our use of natural resources. We encourage you to visit our website for program information, Audubon news, policy updates and more.

Follow us on Facebook or sign up for eWing, our email newsletter, so you will receive updates and won't miss a program. To register for eWing , just go to our website and enter your email at the bottom of the page. Please feel free to contact me at jhall@asri.org with questions or suggestions.

Good Birding,

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BIRDING WITH AUDUBON

FREE WEDNESDAY MORNING BIRD WALKS

Please visit Audubon's website or Facebook page for the weekly location. Every Wednesday through June 2018; 9:00-11:00 am.

OWL PROWL AT CARATUNK

Caratunk Wildlife Refuge, 301 Brown Avenue, Seekonk, MA March 1, 2018.; 7:00-9:00 pm.

AMERICAN WOODCOCKS

Join Audubon for an evening to observe the enchanting and exhuberant mating flights of the American Woodcock

- Watching Woodcocks Supper and Saunter Departs from Powder Mill Ledges Wildlife Refuge, 12 Sanderson Road, Smithfield, RI; *April 6, 2018; 6:00-8:30 pm.*
- Woodcocks and Wine Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge, 99 Pardon Joslin Road, Exeter, RI April 6, 2018; 6:30-8:30 pm.

BIRDING FOR BEGINNERS - SIX SESSIONS

Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol, RI April 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12, 19, 2018; 9:00-11:00 am.

BIRDING, THE NEXT STEP PART II: TAKING FLIGHT

This six-week course is part two of a series, offering a deeper exploration of everything bird. Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol, RI; *April 18, 25, May 2, 9, 2018; 6:30 pm-8:00 pm; Field trips will take place on April 28, May 12, 2018.*

GREAT SWAMP WALK

Great Swamp, 296 Great Neck Road, South Kingstown, RI April 28, 2018; 2:30-5:00 pm; Rain date April 29, 2018.

EAST BAY BIRDING FOR THE BEGINNER

Touisset Marsh Wildlife Refuge, Touisset Road, Warren, RI May 3, 17, 31, 2018; 9:30 am-12:00 pm.

SPRING BIRDING VAN TRIP

Departs from Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge, 99 Pardon Joslin Road, Exeter, RI; May 14, 2018; 8:15 am-4:00 pm.

FREE MAY BIRDING WALKS

May is the peak month for the spring bird migration, with something different moving through each week. Get in on the best birding of the year with Audubon! Novice birders are welcome. *Walks are geared for teen to adult*.

MONDAYS

Jeff Hall

Fort Nature Refuge, (Rt. 5), 1443 Providence Pike, North Smithfield, RI May 7, 14, 21, 2018; 8:00-10:00 am. Note that no walk will be held on Memorial Day, May 28.

TUESDAYS

Caratunk Wildlife Refuge, 301 Brown Avenue, Seekonk, MA - May 1, 15, 29, 2018; 8:00-10:00 am.

Maxwell Mays Wildlife Refuge, 2820 Victory Highway, Coventry, RI - May 8, 22, 2018; 8:00 am-10:00 am.

WEDNESDAYS*

Locations determined weekly, please visit the Audubon website or Facebook page for details, no registration necessary. May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2018; 9:00-11:00 am. * Free Wednesday Morning Bird Walks will continue through June 2018.

THURSDAYS

Marion Eppley Wildlife Refuge, Dugway Bridge Road, West Kingston, RI - May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2018; 8:00-10:00 am.

Touisset Marsh Wildlife Refuge, Touisset Road, Warren, RI - May 3, 17, 31, 2018; 9:30 am-12:00 pm

FRIDAYS

Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge, 99 Pardon Joslin Road, Exeter, RI April 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25, 2018; 8:30-10:30 am.





AUDUBON ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

1401 Hope Street (Route 114), Bristol, RI





PROGRAMS, LECTURES & WORKSHOPS FOR ADULTS

FEED YOUR BACKYARD BIRDS March 4, 2018; 12:00-1:30 pm.

NATURE ORIGAMI March 10, 2018; 1:00-3:00 pm.

FELTED RABBITS: MARCH HARES AND EASTER BUNNIES March 11, 2018; 2:00-4:00 pm.

ADVANCED BEEKEEPING *March 18, 25, 2018; 2:30-4:30 pm.*

WHERE'S YOUR WALDEN? A GUIDE TO YOUR OWN REFUGE IN NATURE Lecture at the Environmental Education Center March 22, 2018; 7:00-8:30 pm.

LEARN TO PAINT WITH COLOR & WATER Workshop with Artist Holly Wach *April 7, 2018; 10:30 am-12:30 pm.*

SOIL TESTING

University of Rhode Island, Cooperative Master Gardener Program April 7, 2018; 11:00 am-2:00 pm.

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SEA GLASS JEWELRY

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ECO-RESPONSIBILITY AS NORM AND PRACTICE

Lecture at the Audubon Environmental Education April 19, 2018; 6:30-8:00 pm.

PAINT AND SIP: SIGNS OF SPRING April 28, 2018; 6:30-8:30 pm.

WEED WALK NATURE HIKE May 6, 2018; 12:00-1:30 pm.

ADVANCED SEA GLASS WORKSHOP May 19, 2018; 2:00-3:30 pm.

HERBAL COCKTAILS May 19, 2018; 6:30-8:30 pm.

FAMILY PROGRAMS & CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

CITIZENS BANK FREE FAMILY FUN DAYS

Thanks to Citizens Bank, the Environmental Education Center is open free to the public the first Saturday of each month. March 3, 2018: Wonderful Whales April 7, 2018: How Does Your Garden Grow? May 5, 2018: Migratory Bird Day

JUNIOR NATURALISTS FOR HOME-SCHOOLED FAMILIES

March 13 and 14, 2018; 1:30-3:00 pm - Shark Science April 17 and 18, 2018; 1:30-3:00 pm - Eco-Engineers May 15 and 16, 2018; 1:30-3:00 pm - Water and Wetlands June 12 and 13, 2018; 1:30-3:00 pm - Science at the Shore

PRESCHOOL ADVENTURES March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 2018; 10:00-11:00 am.

CAMOUFLAGED EGG HUNT

March 24, 2018; 9:30 Check-in, Egg Hunt 10:00–11:00 am. Three locations: Audubon Environmental Education Center, Powder Mill Ledges, and Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge LI'L PEEPS

March 29, April 5, 12, 26; May 3, 10, 2018; 9:45-10:45 am.

APRIL SCHOOL VACATION WEEK April 16-20, 2018; 10:00 am-2:00 pm.

AUDUBON EARTH DAY FILM FESTIVAL April 21, 2018; 1:00-3:00 pm.

FAIRY GARDENS May 12, 2018; 2:00-3:30 pm.

MEMORIAL DAY NATURE ACTIVITIES May 28, 2018; 10:00 am-3:00 pm.

Meet Finn!

POWDER MILL LEDGES WILDLIFE REFUGE

12 Sanderson Road, Smithfield, RI

PYSANKY WORKSHOP

March 17, 2018; 10:00 am-12:00 pm.

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- Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge, 99 Pardon Joslin Road, Exeter, RI

WATCHING WOODCOCKS -SUPPER AND SAUNTER 12 Sanderson Road, Smithfield, RI April 6, 2018; 6:00-8:30 pm.

SPRING CRAFT FAIR June 2, 2018; 10:00 am-4:00 pm.

FISHERVILLE BROOK WILDLIFE REFUGE

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WOODCOCKS AND WINE

April 6, 2018; 6:30-8:30 pm; Program Fee: \$20/member; \$25/non-member. Ages: 21+.

FREE FRIDAY MORNING BIRD WALKS IN MAY April 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25, 2018; 8:30-10:30 am.



SPRING NATURE WALKS



SPRING ARRIVES AT MAXWELL MAYS

Maxwell Mays Wildlife Refuge, 2082 Victory Highway, Coventry, RI March 27, 2018; 9:30 am-12:00 pm.

SEAL WATCH AT ROME POINT

John H. Chafee Nature Preserve, 1421 Boston Neck Rd, Saunderstown, RI (Rt. 1A across from Gilbert Stuart Road); *April 15, 2018; 12:30-3:00 pm.*

EPPLEY FLORA AND FAUNA

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APRIL SCHOOL VACATION WEEK

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- Powder Mill Ledges Wildlife Refuge
- Caratunk Wildlife Refuge

Become a nature explorer! Explore local habitats and get up close with cool critters! *Visit the events calendar at www.asri.org for details.*



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CARATUNK WILDLIFE REFUGE

301 Brown Avenue, Seekonk, MA

OWL PROWL AT CARATUNK

March 1, 2018; 7:00-9:00 pm.

MAPLE SUGARING

Step back in time at the Caratunk Wildlife Refuge and experience the history of maple sugaring. March 10, 2018; 9:00 am-12:00 pm.

SALAMANDER SEARCH AT CARATUNK April 20, 2018; 2:00-3:30 pm.

FAMILY NIGHT HIKE AT CARATUNK April 28, 2018; 7:00-9:00 pm.



PRUDENCE ISLAND

Narragansett Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Prudence Island, RI

MARCH MADNESS ON PRUDENCE ISLAND

Observe beautiful winter ducks to basking harbor seals and explore wide expanses of salt marshes and protected beaches. *March 3, 2018; 9:45 am-4:45 pm.*

SEALS AND SEABIRDS *March 22, 2018; 1:30-6:30 pm.*

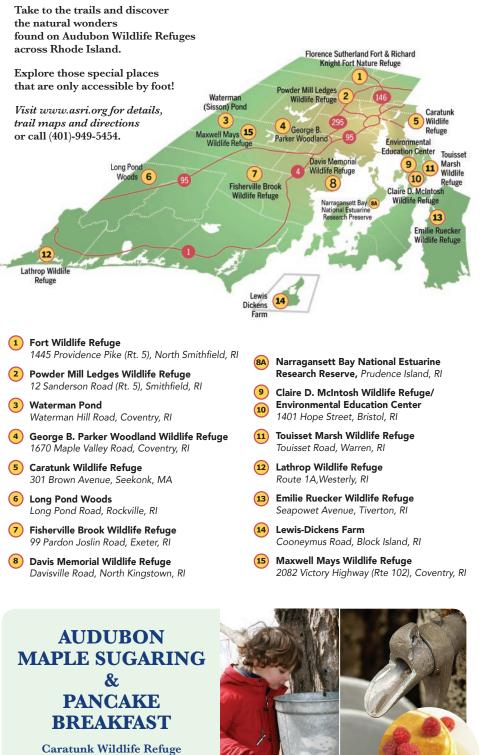
KIDS EXPLORATION DAY ON PRUDENCE ISLAND April 20, 2018; 9:45 am-4:45 pm.

SPRINGTIME BIRDING May 10, 2018; 7:30 am-3:00 pm.



YOURS TO DISCOVER!

AUDUBON SOCIETY OF RHODE ISLAND WILDLIFE REFUGES



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