Horicon Marsh
Schedule of Events
Fall & Winter 2019-2020

Logos represent the location of each event.

**September 4, 11, 18, 25: Weekly Nature Walks**
1:2:30pm. Relaxed, guided walks.

**September 13: Guided Paddle** 8am-12pm.
Guided Paddle of Horicon Marsh SWA. Pre-registration required and $15 fee. Register at: www.horiconmarsh.org, Friends members free.

**September 14: Monarch Tagging** 10am-12pm.
Catch monarchs and watch as DNR staff tag these migrants as they head to Mexico. Bring your best bug-catch net if you have one.

**September 19: Stories at the Marsh: Sandhill Cranes**
10-11am. Come learn about this majestic bird through stories, activities, and a craft. Age 1-6.

**September 27: Fall Living History Festival**
Education Day 8:30am-2:30pm. School groups and students of all learning styles are invited to the Marsh Haven encampment for a day filled with hands-on demonstrations and a step back into the pages of Wisconsin history. Free.

**September 28: National Public Lands Day**
Seed Collection 10-11am. Help collect native prairie seeds. Long pants and study shoes are recommended. Meet at the Egrt Trail boardwalk parking lot off of the refuge auto tour (Hwy 49).

**September 28: Women's Weekend Workshop**
9am-1pm. A fun and hands-on workshop designed for women ages 18 and up, focusing on various outdoor skills. Pre-registration and $20 nonrefundable fee required at www.horiconmarsh.org.

**September 28-29: Fall Living History Festival**
The general public is invited to visit the past at this encampment and learn about Native Americans, Voyagers, the War of 1812, soap making, candle making, trapping, blacksmithing, fiber arts, rug weaving, porcelain painting and so much more!

**October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30: Weekly Nature Walks**
1:2:30pm. Relaxed, guided walks.

**October 5: Wild Birds of Prey**
1pm. Have you ever wanted to see a hawk or owl close up? This program will introduce some of Wisconsin’s raptors through a photo presentation, mounted specimens, and LIVE birds.

**October 12: Refuge 5K Run/Walk for Wildlife**
9-11:30am. For pre-registration information: www.fws.gov/refuges/whocare/horicon/

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**October 12-13: Horicon Marsh Archaeological Festival**
Sat: 10am-5pm, Sun: 10am-4pm. Buckskinner encampment, atlatl throwing, fire-starting, arrow and circle, expert speakers, vendors and more.

**October 17: Stories at the Marsh: Leaves**
10-11am. Learn why leaves change color through stories, activities and a walk out to the island to find leaves of different colors. Ages 1-6 years.

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**October 19: Ducks, Geese & Cranes OH My! Bus Tour**
3-6pm. Horicon is renowned for the annual fall migration of waterfowl. Join us on a guided bus tour of the Horicon Marsh area. Pre-registration and $15 non-refundable fee required at www.horiconmarsh.org. Limit 30.

**October 20: Monsters on the Marsh**
9am-4pm. Follow a scavenger hunt, cupcake decorating, and hike through the haunted woods! Visit with our costumed critters, go fishing in the pond and make a fall-themed craft to take home. Family-friendly activities. &

**October 26: Wild Birds of Prey**
1pm. Have you ever wanted to see a hawk or owl close up? This program will introduce some of Wisconsin’s raptors through a photo presentation, mounted specimens, and LIVE birds.

**October 26: Birding Old Marsh Road**
9-10:30am. Guided hike to view birds in an area of the refuge that is only open seasonally. ½ mile-easy walking. Meet at the Egrt Trail boardwalk parking lot off of the refuge auto tour (Hwy 49).

**November 2: Autumn Open House**
10am-3pm. Musical performances by children’s artists Ken Lonquist and Dave Adler at 11:00am and 1:00pm.; nature crafts; and family activities. Horizon Refuge Visitor Center (Cty Rd Z).

**November 6, 13, 20: Weekly Nature Walks**
1:2:30pm. Relaxed, guided walks.

**November 12: Fall Moon Hike**
7-8pm. Join us for a beautiful walk under the full moon.

**November 21: Stories at the Marsh: Turkeys**
10-11am. Gobble, gobble, gobble! Join us for stories and a craft. Ages 1-6 years.

**November 23-24. 1 Dec. 12-15: Auto Tour Closed to Vehicles for Deer Gun Seasons** Visitors are still welcome to use the area for hiking and other permissible activities but are required to wear blaze orange.

**December 1: Entire Refuge Open** for wildlife observation and nature photography via hiking, snowshoeing, and cross country skiing through March 15.

**December 4, 11, 18: Weekly Nature Walks**
1:2:30pm. Relaxed, guided walks.

**December 6, 13, 20: Marsh Haven & Holiday Nature Craft Show**
10am-3pm. Sleigh rides, food and beverages, free crafts for the kids, unique vendors/artisans. 11am: Awesome Animal Ambassadors program & 1pm: Wild Birds of Prey program. Free event.

**December 9: Marsh Haven Closes** for the winter season. See you on April 13, 2020!

**December 12: Stories at the Marsh: Evergreen Magic**
10-11am. Explore the magic of real evergreens and create a tree for the animals. Ages 1-6 years.

**December 12: Full Cold Moon Hike**
7-8pm. Slow down and relax during the holiday season and immerse yourself under the tranquil moon.

**December 14: Owl Prowl**
6:30-8:30pm. Presentation featuring LIVE owls and then your own winter layers as we walk out to Inndermuehle Island to call for owls. It will be a Hoot!

**January 4: Walk It Off with Winter Wildlife**
10-11:30am. Join wildlife educators as we shed a few holiday pounds while searching for winter wildlife and snowshoeing available!

**January 8, 15, 22, 29: Weekly Nature Walks**
1:2:30pm, relaxed guided walks

**January 9 & 11: Stories at the Marsh: Look. Listen. Learn**
10-11am. Discover how animals keep warm in the winter through stories and activities. Hot chocolate will be enjoyed after our walk. Ages 1-6 years.

**January 15 & 22: Snowshoeing at the Education Barn**
10am-2pm. Visit the environmental education barn for snowshoeing or hiking and hot chocolate. Snowshoes will be available for loan, N10755 South Point Rd.

**February 15: Winter Women Workshop**
8am-12pm. Pre-registration and $20 non-refundable fee at www.horiconmarsh.org. Age 18+

**February 15: Eagle Adventure Bus Tour**
1-4pm. Guided bus tour to search for Bald Eagles. Bring warm clothes to watch these raptors. Eagle be a good time! Pre-registration and $15 nonrefundable fee required at www.horiconmarsh.org. Limit 30.

**February 29: Northstar Seminar**
9am-1pm. Take a flying leap and learn about cavity nesting animals and how you can help. For more information visit: www.horiconmarsh.org.

**March 4, 11, 18, 25: Weekly Nature Walks**
1:2:30pm. Relaxed, guided walks.

**March 7: Spring into Action!**
10am-11:30am. Have you ever wondered what is inside an owl’s hairball? Youth program ages 5-11.

**March 9: Fall Winter Moon Hike**
7-8pm. As spring approaches, come join us for a walk under the moon. Dress to be outside.

**March 12 & 14: Stories at the Marsh: Spring Forward**
10-11am. From icicles to pussy willows spring is the time for new life. Let’s go for a walk and observe how the earth is coming alive again after the cold winter. Ages 1-6 years.

**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

All events are subject to change; please check the appropriate website for changes and/or additional events. **
The Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center is operated and owned by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR). See map for location.

The Friends of the Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center strengthens the connection between people and the Horicon Marsh through collaboration, financial support and volunteer assistance to the WDNR. For more information about the Friends group please visit horiconmarsh.org or call 920-387-7890.

Marsh Haven Nature Center is a non-profit nature center. As an independent nature center run by volunteers, Marsh Haven is supported by a strong and loyal membership, donations, and contributions from businesses and other organizations. Visit marshhaven.org for more information and calendar updates. See map for location.

The Horicon National Wildlife Refuge Office and Visitor Center is operated and owned by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. See map for location.

The Friends of Horicon National Wildlife Refuge’s mission is to support Horicon National Wildlife Refuge through volunteerism, grant funding, and support for businesses and other organizations. For more information visit horiconnwrfriends.org.

Horicon Marsh Education and Visitor Center
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Horicon, WI 53032
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elizabeth.herzmann@wisconsin.gov
www.horiconmarsh.org

Hours: M-F 9am-5pm, Sat & Sun 10am-5pm
Dec. 1-Mar. 1: M-F 9am-4pm, Sat & Sun 10am-4pm
Closed on Major Holidays

Marsh Haven Nature Center
W10145 State Hwy 49 East
Waupun, WI 53963
Contact: 920-324-5818
920-318-9518 (Director’s mobile)
director@marshhaven.org

Hours: Weekdays 12-4pm
Weekends 9am-5pm
Open mid-April through mid-December.
Extended hours by appointment

Horicon National Wildlife Refuge
Office/Visitor Center
W4279 Headquarters Road
Mayville, WI 53050
Contact:
Phone: 920-387-2658 ext. 124
erin_railsback@fws.gov

Hours:
April-November:
Mon.-Sat. 9am-4pm.
Open Sundays in October.
Jan-Mar:
Mon.-Fri. 9am-4pm plus 1 Sat/month (2020: Jan. 11, Feb. 8, Mar. 7)
Open Labor Day and Columbus Day.
Closed all other federal holidays.

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