

WILD NEWS

What's Happening at Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge

AUGUST

Family Fun Day!

Thursday, August 11, 10:00—11:30 am

Saturday, August 20, 1:00—2:30 pm

Kids, this is a special program for you! Jump aboard the tour bus for wildlife bingo and then look for clues on a scavenger hunt around the lakes and trails.

Moonlight Hike

Saturday, August 13, 7:00—9:00 pm

Curious about what animals are most active at night? Then join us for a 3 mile hike under the light of the full moon. Flashlights and hiking boots recommended.

Wetland Photo Tour

Sunday, August 21, 7:30—10:00 am

Capture the wonders of wetlands through your camera lens. Recommended for adults. Open to all photography levels.

Birding 101

Tuesday, August 23, 8:30—11:00 am

Learn techniques for bird identification, including how to use binoculars and field guides. Great for first-time birders.

Family Fishing Workshop

Saturday, August 27, 2:00—6:00 pm

This hands-on clinic offers tips and tricks for fishing fun from the Division of Wildlife.

Homestead History Tour

Sunday, August 28, 9:30—11:30 am

Venture back in time with a naturalist to the site's homestead years. Hear stories about the land and the families that called it home.

SEPTEMBER

Bike the Refuge

Sunday, September 4, 9:00—11:00 am

Spend the holiday weekend biking through the Refuge on this moderate 5 mile ride. Recommended for adults. Helmets required. Fat, puncture-proof tires suggested.

Prairie Landscape Photo Tour

Friday, September 9, 7:30—10:00 am

Here's your chance to photograph the beauty of the prairie against a big blue sky. Recommended for adults. Open to all photography levels.

Disappearing Treasures! National Eagle & Wildlife Property Repository Tour

Thursday, September 15, 10:00 am—Noon

See wildlife items that have been seized and learn about the Native American Eagle Feather Program.

Family Fun Day!

Sunday, September 18, 1:00—2:30 pm

See August description.

Homestead History Tour

Saturday, September 24, 1:00—3:00 pm

See August description.

National Public Lands Day—Free Fishing

Saturday, September 24, 6:00 am—6:00 pm)

No reservations required.

Friends of a Feather

Sunday, September 25, 8:30—11:00 am

Grab your binoculars, or check out a pair of ours, as we search for our fine feathered friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Amateur Photo Contest—Calling all shutter bugs for a photo contest. Submit your best 8 x 10 white matted photo taken on the Refuge to the Visitor Center between September 1—25. Submittals will be on display October 1—13 for public voting. The top 3 winning entries will be announced on October 15 in conjunction with National Wildlife Refuge week, and will become a postcard at Nature's Nest Books and Gifts. Visit <http://fws.gov/rockymountainarsenal> or call 303-289-0250 for details.

Reservations are required for these FREE programs. Call 303-289-0930. Please dress for the weather. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

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WILD RIDES

Wednesdays & Saturdays 9:30 — 11:30 am

Experience the sights and sounds of the Refuge on this two-hour, guided, family-friendly wildlife viewing tour.

Groups of up to 20 are welcome to join this program. Binoculars and cameras are recommended.

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VOLUNTEER FOR WILDLIFE!

Saturday, September 17, 10:00 am—2:00 pm

Interested in volunteering to support wildlife?

Stop by our open house to learn more about volunteer opportunities at your national wildlife refuge.

"WILD" TALKS

Join a naturalist every Saturday at 1:00 pm for a 10 minute mystery "wild" talk. No reservations required.

TUESDAY TOTS

10:00 — 11:00 am

This one hour program is designed for parents and toddlers to interact together and learn about nature.

Children ages 3 to 6 are welcome and must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian at all times. Limit 3 children per parent and reservations are required.

Wetland Water Safari

August 2 & 30

Toddlers—become wildlife biologists on this wildlife water safari! Learn tools and techniques we'll use for our studies and then head outside to look for wildlife clues in and around the water.

Backbone Bonanza

September 6 & 27

Is a bird a fish? Are insects mammals? Learn how wildlife is sorted into groups and how bones, especially backbones, help determine which one they belong to!

SUNDAY MATINEES

1:00 pm

Experience the big screen in the Visitor Center's state-of-the-art auditorium on your Sunday afternoon watching one of these wildlife features. Families welcome. It's free and no reservations are required.

Amazing Journeys

August 7 & September 4

Experience some of nature's most incredible spectacles as millions of creatures undertake extraordinary journeys of survival.

Ocean Oasis

August 14 & September 11

Take a fascinating journey into the bountiful seas and deserts of two remarkably different, but linked worlds – Mexico's Sea of Cortes and the Baja California desert.

Africa – The Serengeti

August 21 & September 18

Enjoy an extraordinary journey to East Africa to view the great migration. Journey with more than two million wildebeasts, zebras, and antelope as they travel over 500 miles across the Serengeti plains.

Beavers

August 28 & September 25

Take an intimate swim with beavers and experience the rich aquatic habitat of one of nature's greatest engineers. Follow the lives of a family of beavers as they grow and play.

Refuge Hours and Address

Tuesdays - Sundays 6:00 am – 6:00 pm
6550 Gateway Road, Commerce City, 80022

Visitor Center Hours

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