

On Land



LONG PASTURE

10am,

Tidal Flat Explorations

Learn to read the secrets of the sands, such as twisting trails, holes, and mud piles, that reveal how creatures live, walk, eat and burrow down under. Explore the shore to discover animals and uncover their secrets for survival in an environment inundated twice daily by the tide.

7/7 - 9am, 7/9 - 10:30am, 7/21 - 8am, 7/24 - 10am, 8/7 - 10am, 8/11 - 1pm, 8/21 - 9 am, 8/27 - 2 pm, 9/7 - 11 am



Hike Sandy Neck

Tuesdays: 5/22-9/11

9 am - 11am

Walk along the salt marsh, dunes and beach seeking signs of wildlife from feeding shorebirds, Diamond-Back Terrapin, and Ospreys to mammal tracks and swooping swallows. Every day is filled with activity and wonder at Sandy Neck barrier beach as creatures struggle to raise young and find food during the short warm season.



Night Hikes

Tuesdays: 6/26-8/28

8 pm - 9:30 pm

Do you love the nightlife? Learn the strange and surprising sounds of nocturnal creatures and take a moonlit walk to experiment with night vision, seek swooping bats and discover how your senses of smell and hearing work in the dark.



Butterflies & Bees

Wednesdays: 6/27-9/5

10 am - 11:30 am

Explore the Butterfly Mosaic Trail to see and learn all about butterflies, caterpillars, and chrysalides. Then we'll discover the social life of bees at our observation hive!



Story Hikes

Thursdays: 6/28-8/30

10 am - 11:30 am

Hike the trails from page to page as a story about wildlife unfolds to inspire both your imagination and inner ecologist!

Wild Cape Cod Lecture Series Wednesdays: 7/11- 8/15 7:30 pm - 9pm

The Turtle Whisperer 7/11

Great & White - Herons and Egrets 8/1

The Elusive Fisher Cat 7/18

From Whaling to Whale Watching 8/8

Could A Dachshund Descend from a Wolf? 7/25

Kestrels & Cranberries 8/15



Barnstable Oyster Farm Tour and Tasting Thursdays (dates below)

Take a low-tide tour of a working oyster farm right off the beach at Long Pasture. You'll see how oysters are grown in Barnstable Harbor and choose your own samples to taste. Then we'll go inside for a presentation about all things oyster -- their history, their role in our environment, and how they're being farmed around the world. Shucking lesson too! 7/19 - 6:30pm, 8/2 - 6:15pm, 8/16 - 5:30pm, 8/30 - 5:24pm \$16 m/\$18 nm



Horseshoe Crab Encounters

After a wild presentation with amazing video of Horseshoe Crabs developing, we'll head down to the flats to find these ancient creatures buried in the sand -- perhaps even mating! 6/26 - 11am, 6/29 - 2pm, 7/12 - 12:30pm, 7/27 - 12pm, 8/10 - 12:30 pm, 8/23 - 10am, 9/5 - 9:30



Capturing the Cape - Photography Workshop 7/14, 8/18 9 am - 11 am

Whether your passion lies in landscape, birds, insects or environmental portraits, come learn the technical skills that will let you turn off the auto mode on your camera and take control of your photographs. Topics will include composition, exposure, light and lighting.

Programs are \$6 for members and \$8 for non-members/ \$4 and \$6 for children

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Wild Cape Cod Lectures

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The Turtle Whisperer-Live!

Wednesday, July 11 – 7:30 pm

Turtles and tortoises have existed relatively unchanged for nearly 215 million years, yet the world's 300 species of Chelonians are arguably the most endangered vertebrates on Earth! Herpetologist Ian Ives will focus on the turtles of Cape Cod (with living examples).



The Elusive Fisher Cat (not really a cat!) Wednesday, July 18 – 7:30 pm

The Fisher is actually Cape Cod's newest weasel and fascinating predator. We will watch video of an orphaned young Fisher learning through trial and error and look at the habits and signs of its Cape Cod relatives such as otters and mink.

How Could A Dachshund Descend From A Wolf? Wednesday, July 25 – 7:30 pm

Biologist Hillary Cressey explores the canine mystery of how our diverse dog breeds developed. Discover the remarkable genetic process that led to poodles and pugs and how today's geneticists can determine your own dog's background.



Great and White - Herons and Egrets Wednesday, August 1 – 7:30 pm

The Great Blue Heron, famous for its S-shaped neck in flight, strikes its prey like lightning at the water's edge. The Great White Egret is actually a heron! Dr. Katharine Parsons, Director of Mass Audubon's Coastal Waterbird Program, will discuss conservation of herons and egrets in Massachusetts and explore factors that have led to declines or increases in species of these spectacular, long-legged wading birds.



From Whaling to Whale Watching Wednesday, August 8 – 7:30 pm

Discover the fascinating history of whaling and whale watching in New England and how attitudes towards whales have changed over the years with Regina Asmutis-Silvia, Whale & Dolphin Conservation Society and Heather Rockwell, Cetacean Society International.

Kestrels and Cranberries (live bird) Wednesday, August 15th—7:30 pm

Joey Mason will share her extensive research with American Kestrels in southeastern Massachusetts during the past 23 years. She will describe how she monitors the nest boxes and what has been found, including things which were not kestrels. She will present evidence about what these raptors eat and why they often prefer to nest in cranberry bog habitats. These small falcons are in a rapid population decline. She also will touch on some raptor projects to prevent birds of prey from being killed or injured by manmade structures.



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