



Free & Low Cost Adult Walks and Hikes

(For information on other adult programs, walks and hikes, see the **Adult Programs** section on <http://www.delawarenaturesociety.org/programs.html>)

Friday Afternoon Botanical Hikes at Bucktoe

Fridays, March 13 – October 30

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Free for Members and Non-Members!

Non-Members: Take advantage of a special offer to purchase a DNS membership at ½ price!

Leader: William Ryan, Director, Bucktoe Creek Preserve

Enjoy a weekly survey of the botanical treasures at the 300-acre Bucktoe Creek Preserve, which serves as a sanctuary for nearly 400 species of native plants. From the early woodland spring ephemerals to the late-blooming meadow plants of early autumn, every week promises something new. Occasionally through the year we will feature guest leaders focusing on subjects such as grasses, sedges, mosses, fungi, and lichens. Light refreshments will be offered at the conclusion of the hike. Directions can be found at www.delawarenaturesociety.org on the “Our Locations” page.

Sunday Afternoon Hikes at Bucktoe

1st and 3rd Sundays, April 5, 19; May 3 & 17, June 7 & 21, July 5 & 19, Aug. 2 & 16

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Free for Members and Non-Members!

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Leader: William Ryan, Preserve Director, Bucktoe Creek Preserve

Join us for a tour of Bucktoe Creek Preserve, a 285-acre property near Kennett Square, PA that is being managed to preserve and restore biodiversity. See restoration projects in practice and learn about native plant communities at this special property of old-growth woodlands, thickets, meadows, wetlands, ponds, and creeks which is laced with trails. Enjoy hot tea and muffins after the walk. Program meets at the Bucktoe Creek Preserve. Please call William by the Friday prior to the walk at 302-530-8526. Dress for the weather and bring binoculars if you wish. Directions can be found at www.delawarenaturesociety.org on the “Our Locations” page.

Monday Morning Birding at Bucktoe

Mondays, 7:45 am – 10:00 am

Free for Members and Non-Members!

Non-Members: Take advantage of a special offer to purchase a DNS membership at ½ price!

Leader: Derek Stoner, Education Programs Assistant, Joe Sebastiani, Members Program Team Leader, and Delaware Nature Society Staff

Join us on a walk around the Bucktoe Creek Preserve to enjoy the diverse birdlife of this private nature preserve near Kennett Square, PA. The walks will focus on the beginning birder, but all are welcome. Stroll through meadows, forests, thickets, and marsh in search of migrants, wintering and resident birds, learn identification tips, and meet other local birders. Experience the diversity of wildflowers, amphibians, mammals, trees and more. Coffee and tea are served at

7:45 a.m. The walk is cancelled if it is precipitating. Directions can be found at www.delawarenaaturesociety.org on the “Our Locations” page.

Thursday Morning Birding at Ashland

Each Thursday (until June 4), 8:00 am (walk lasts about 2 hrs.)

Member/Non-Member: Free

Leader: Delaware Nature Society staff

Join us on a walk around the Ashland property for a look at the birds through the seasons. Stroll through meadows, forests, thickets, and marsh in search of migrant, wintering and resident birds, learn identification tips, and meet other local birders. Learn about the wildflowers, amphibians, mammals, trees and natural history of the Ashland property. Directions can be found at www.delawarenaaturesociety.org on the “Our Locations” page.

Saturday Evening Nature Walk and Campfire

2nd and 4th Saturday of each Month: March 14, 28; April 11, 25; May 9 & 23, June 13 & 27, July 11 & 25, Aug. 8 & 22

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

\$10 per family – no registration required. Pay at the door.

Leader: Delaware Nature Society Staff

Take the family out to Ashland for an evening nature walk and campfire with a naturalist. Walk the trails at Ashland in search of nocturnal wildlife, owls, frogs, salamanders, and other animals of the night! Follow this up with a warm and cozy campfire complete with s'mores that you roast on the open flame. Come have fun with the family in the great outdoors and visit multiple times to see the change of seasons. Directions can be found at www.delawarenaaturesociety.org on the “Our Locations” page.

Weekly Nature Walk at Abbott’s Mill Nature Center, Milford, DE

Wednesdays, January 7 to May 27, 8:00 am - 9:30 am

Member/Non-Member: Free

Leader: Jason Beale, Manager, Abbott’s Mill Nature Center

Explore the swamps, forests, and fields of the Milford Millponds Nature Center for migratory and resident birds. Learn about the trees, reptiles, amphibians, mammals, and other organisms that make Delaware’s newest Nature Preserve such a special place. Begin by discovering the secrets of winter survivors like ducks and study the transition from winter to spring as the earth renews itself. Binoculars are available for use. Directions can be found at www.delawarenaaturesociety.org on the “Our Locations” page.

Farm Fun Day at Coverdale Farm – *Wednesdays only!*

May 6th – November 18th; 12 pm – 2:30 pm

Member/Non-Member: Free/Adult \$5, Child \$3, child ages 2 & up

Pack up your picnic lunch, bring along some friends, and come on out to Coverdale Farm located at 543 Way Road in Greenville, Delaware. See the farm animals, talk to the gardeners and farm staff and spend a nice time outdoors. Directions can be found at www.delawarenaaturesociety.org on the “Our Locations” page.