

WCPD Naturalist & Marketing Report

August & September 2023



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Community Connections

- Sent **e-blasts** reaching 1,132 people. In the past 28 days, **Facebook** posts have reached 11,612 people.
- 8/12: **Butterfly Release** at Miller Park – guest booth with WCPD promo material and monarch butterfly educational exhibit.
- 8/15: **Tech-Free Tuesday** (Birds) at Landen Deerfield Park with special guests from **RAPTOR, Inc.** and **Wild Birds Unlimited**. 122 attendees.
- 8/19: **Warren County Astronomical Society** open house at Fred Bay Observatory. Promoted as a featured event through **Green Umbrella**. 50 attendees.
- 8/22: One-on-one with **Matt Latham**; meeting with Matt and **Birdsong Landscapes** regarding Solar Pollinator Habitat; **Friends of WCPD** strategic planning committee meeting; **Boy Scout Program** about water quality testing and kayak safety.
- 8/23: **Warren Co Soil and Water Conservation District (WCSWCD) Annual Meeting** with monarch butterfly educational exhibit.
- 8/26: Meeting with **Sam Marshall**, Eagle Scout Candidate, about constructing and installing new wooden benches at the Solar Pollinator Habitat.
- 8/30: **Intro to Kayaking** at Armco with WCSWCD, 8 attendees; meeting with **Shannon Aquino** regarding 2024 budget; **Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist (OCVN)** gathering at Cincinnati Nature Center to promote volunteer opportunities at WCPD.
- 9/4: **100-Hours-Outside Challenge** concluded. This year we had **159 children** complete the challenge! This is three times the number we have had in past years. I am working with **Beth Callahan** from **Friends of WCPD** to gather prizes for everyone.
- 9/5: One-on-one with **Matt**.
- 9/6: **Friends meeting** (Hisey Fall Fest planning).
- 9/13: **Team meeting** with **Matt, Larry Easterly** and **Kathy Francis**.



Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Attend	Market
9/14	World Cleanup Day with CSafe Global volunteers at Armco	X	
9/16	Clean Sweep event at Carmody Park	X	X
9/16	WCAS Star Party		X
9/18	OSU Extension mtg	X	
9/18	WCAS mtg via MS Teams	X	
9/19	One-on-one with Matt	X	
9/21	Meeting at Keever Pond	X	
9/22	Events Workshop in Columbus	X	
9/27	Team Meeting	X	
10/2	Webinar re Ohio EPA recycling grant	X	
10/3	One-on-One with Matt	X	
10/5	Corwin dam removal Zoom mtg	X	
10/5	Teach OCVN Herpetology class via zoom	X	
10/7	Hisey Fall Festival	X	X
10/9	Warren Co Conservation Collaborative meeting	X	

For a full list of upcoming events, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/WCPDNature2023>

Clean Sweep of the Great Miami River

FROM INDIAN LAKE TO THE OHIO RIVER



CLEAN SWEEP
of the Great Miami River Watershed

Get wet... Get dirty...Get involved

The Clean Sweep is an annual volunteer event focused on removing trash and restoring the health of the Great Miami River. This river cleanup is about much more than picking up trash. It's a day for communities to demonstrate their desire for clean water and healthy rivers. It's an opportunity to learn about our river, and it's a time to come together with your families, your neighbors, your community, and your friends to accomplish something vital and worthy on behalf of our Great Miami River. This cleanup is coordinated by many partners and attended by hundreds of wonderful volunteers.

Franklin to the Ohio River
September 16, 2023

Take a walk. Visit a new park. Go camping. Read a book under a shady tree. Jump rope.

Go swimming. Eat breakfast outside. Have a campfire. Plant seeds. Go on a bug hunt. Play in the backyard.

Catch fireflies. Go fishing. Fly a kite. Trace your shadow. Go stargazing. Make s'mores. Dance in the rain.

Warren County
PARK DISTRICT
 Enjoy. Play. Preserve.

Warren County Park District Summer Challenge
#WCPD100HoursOutside
Memorial Day to Labor Day 2023

CONGRATULATIONS!

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| Jensen B | Jessica F | Winnie L | Dawson M | Kamden R | Jordan T |
| Calliope B | Hannah G | Lainey L | Ignatius M | Danika R | Sophia T |
| Ryleigh B | Maya G | Adalyn L | Petra M | Tessa R | Colin T |
| Lucas B | Keira G | Thomas L | Diana M | Will R | Tucker T |
| Matthew B | Knox G | Gianna L | Charles M | Hazel R | Bailey T |
| Andrew B | Shepard H | Maria L | August M | Yago R | Kannon T |
| Lincoln B | Letty H | Olivia L | Lichen M | Cara R | Kyrix T |
| Olivia B | Grant H | Milo L | Zachary M | Mila R | Raiden T |
| Joanna B | Daniella H | Theodore L | Caleb M | Johnathan S | Aditya Ram V |
| Samantha B | Noah H | Adelina L | Amelia M | Cheyenne S | Harrison W |
| Roscoe B | Brynlee H | Meridith L | Sophia N | Oliver S | Maggie W |
| Cadence B | Zalen H | Allan L | Noah N | Ezra S | Crosley W |
| Tessa C | Alayna H | Mae L | Jeem N | Jayson S | Hadley W |
| Lydia C | Grace H | Everlee L | Amelia N | Zephyr S | Lydia W |
| Mae C | Jackson H | Nadia L | Genevieve N | Darby S | Gwyneth W |
| Boaz C | Davis H | Penelope L | Theodore N | Xavier S | Liam W |
| Aliza C | Stella H | Elliott L | Sullivan O | Conan S | Scarlet W |
| Hazel C | Vivian J | Nolan L | Hazel O | Luke S | Zach Y |
| Ryan C | Nolan J | Cora M | Dane O | Isaac S | Callum Z |
| Orson D | Madilyn J | Evan M | Serena O | Claire S | Lilee Z |
| Silas D | Furkan K | Joey M | Aakash P | Cole S | Lucee Z |
| Brayden E | Elena K | Rosie M | Reid P | Tate S | Gavin Z |
| Reventon F | Addison K | Zach M | Aria P | Emma S | Noah Z |
| Miura F | Violet K | Elena M | Davie P | Michael S | James H |
| Evora F | Vivian K | George M | Joanna P | Ty S | |
| Jacob F | Michael L | Travis M | Maddie R | Leah S | |
| Julianna F | Madison L | Wade M | Keaton R | Jake S | |

Congratulations to the **159 children** who completed the challenge to spend at least one hundred hours outside this summer!



Questions? Email Shannon.Pennington@co.warren.oh.us or text 513-833-7360



Warren County Park District Hisey Fall Festival 2023 Sat., Oct. 7, 11am-5pm

Opening Ceremony and Park Champion Awards at Noon

Celebrate Fall with Free, Family-Friendly, Outdoor Fun!

- Pumpkin Picking (while supplies last)
- Pumpkin Decorating
- 4-H Petting Zoo
- Live Reptiles
- Antique Farm Equipment Demos
- Naturalist Chats
- Wagon Rides
- Warren County Astronomical Society
- Hiking to the Scenic Overlook
- Warren County Master Gardeners
- Civil War Reenactors
- Live Cannon Fire
- Wildlife Officer Keller and K9 "Scout"
- Food Trucks
- Taxidermy Animals
- Geocaching Demo
- Whitetails Unlimited
- Tours of the Farm House
- ODNR Archery Trailer, 1-4pm

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WARREN CO PARK DISTRICT



EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Hisey Park, 5443 Middletown Rd., Waynesville, OH 45068

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www.co.warren.oh.us/parks/events

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PARK DISTRICT



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