

WCPD Naturalist & Marketing Report May & June 2024



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Community Connections

- In the past 28 days, **Facebook** posts have reached 18,688 people. **E-blasts** have reached 1,298 people.
- 5/11: **Invasive Species Removal** at Hisey Park with Friends of WCPD. 3 participants (& 1 baby screech owl). (SP)
- 5/14: 10am-4pm: **Ohio Division of Wildlife** State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP) meeting at Armco Park Jones Pavilion with southwest region representatives from local conservation organizations including Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Gardens, Arc of Appalachia, ODNR, Cincinnati Parks, Miami Co. Parks, MetroParks of Butler Co., Five Rivers Metroparks, Pheasants Forever and Quails Forever, Three Valley Conservation Trust, The Nature Conservancy, and Cardinal Land Conservancy. 29 participants. (SP)
- 5/14: **Team Meeting** with **Matt Latham, Larry Easterly, Kathy Francis, Haden Englert, and Bryan Billhimer** (SP)
- 5/18: **Wildflower and Geology Hike** at Hisey Park. 14 attendees & 2 volunteers = 16 participants. (SP, LA)
- 5/18, 8-11pm: **Fred Bay Observatory** Open to the Public.
- 5/21: **WCPD Steering Committee Meeting**, 29 participants. (SP)
- 5/22: **Leadership Warren County** meeting at Armco Park Jones Pavilion with tour of park and animal ambassadors, 19 participants. (LA)
- 5/22: **Friends of WCPD Communications Committee** meeting. 5 participants. (SP)
- 5/23, **Summer Reading Kickoff** event at Lebanon Public Library with animal ambassadors, 600 participants. (SP, LA)
- 5/27: **100-Hours-Outside Challenge** began
- 5/28: **Pollinator Hotel Workshop** with **Warren County Soil and Water Conservation District**, 14 participants. (SP)
- 6/1, 8am-1pm: **Cops & Bobbers** Youth Fishing Derby in partnership with ODNR, WCSWCD, Heroes on the Water, Little Miami Conservancy, Warren Co Sheriff's Office, and others. 115 adults, 192 kids, 12 volunteers = 319 participants (SP)
- 6/4, 10am-noon: **Tech-Free Tuesday: Wetlands** at Landen-Deerfield Park with WCSWCD and Warren County Children Services, 40 adults, 63 kids, 7 volunteers = 110 participants. (SP)
- 6/7, 10am-noon: **Intro to Kayaking** at Armco Park with WCSWCD, 7 participants. (SP)
- 6/8, 9am-noon: **Invasive Species Removal** at Hisey Park with Friends of WCPD, 5 participants. (SP)
- 6/11: **Tech-Free Tuesday: Insects** at Armco Park with **Cincinnati Museum Center** and **Warren County 4H**, 65 adults, 112 kids, 7 volunteers = 184 participants. (SP, LA)
- 6/11: Planning meeting with **Dawn Stutz** from **Our Open Home** regarding collaborations over summer months for glamping on same nights as Owl Prowl at Gully Park and Night Golf and Footgolf at Armco. (SP, LA)
- 6/12: **Girl Scout wildlife programs** at Camp Butterworth with our animal ambassadors, 43 participants. (SP)
- 6/13: **Project WILD and Aquatic WILD** training at Armco Park with WCSWCD, 13 participants. (SP, LA)
- 6/14: **Toddler Trek: Live Like a Bee** at Armco Park, 8 adults, 11 kids = 19 participants. (LA)





Upcoming Events and Projects

- **Continuing projects:** working with Bryan on the Nature Playscape at Armco; working with Friends on Invasive Species removal at Hisey; writing content and collecting photos for new website; monitoring and coordinating volunteer inquiries..
- 6/15: **Friends of WCPD** self-guided hike at Hisey Park and Caesar Creek Preserve.
- 6/15: **WCAS Star Party** at Hisey Park's Fred Bay Observatory
- 6/18: **Tech-Free Tuesday: Colorful Coral** with Cincinnati Museum Center at Landen-Deerfield Park
- 6/18: **Team Meeting**
- 6/18: **Nature Lovers' Book Club** at Armco Park with OSU Extension
- 6/20: **WCPD Survey Kick-Off** meeting
- 6/21: **Safety Town** with **Franklin Police Department**
- 6/23: **Full Moon Hike** at Hisey Park
- 6/24: **Nature Education Team Meeting**
- 6/25: **Tech-Free Tuesday: Reptiles and Amphibians** at Armco Park
- 6/25-6/27: **Fostering Sustainable Behavior: Community-Based Social Marketing Training**
- 6/27: **Toddler Trek: Live Like a Bee** at Hisey Park
- 6/28: **Future Conservationists Camp** at Armco Park with WCSWCD
- 7/2: **Tech-Free Tuesday: Backyard Birds** with OSU Extension and Wild Birds Unlimited at Landen-Deerfield Park
- 7/2: **Team Meeting**
- 7/8: **Toddler Trek: Bird Bonanza** at Landen-Deerfield
- 7/8: **Nature Education Team Meeting**
- 7/9: **Tech-Free Tuesday: 4H Animals** at Armco Park
- 7/16: **Tech-Free Tuesday: Dino Dig** with Cincinnati Museum Center
- 7/16: **Team Meeting**



FORMING NOW!

WARREN CO ARMCO PARK SUMMER SOFTBALL LEAGUES

Team Managers: Sign up today!
WarrenCountyParks.com

Monday League: 6/24–8/12 (deadline 6/19)

Tuesday Doubleheaders: 6/18–7/16 (deadline 6/13)

Thursday League: 7/18–9/5 (deadline 7/11)

Friday Co-Ed League: 8/2–9/13 (deadline 7/26)

- League fee is \$300. One-time sanction fee is \$30.
- \$60 down secures your spot, the balance is due one week before session starts.
- Umpires are paid \$15 cash by the teams at the time of the game.
- Must hit your own WORTH balls; we sell at park \$75/dozen.
- \$3 gate fee at the Softball Complex for spectators and players.

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