WCPD Naturalist & Marketing Report June & July 2024



Shannon Pennington, <u>Shannon.Pennington@co.warren.oh.us</u>, 513-833-7360 Lauren Asquith, <u>Lauren.Asquith@co.warren.oh.us</u>, 513-409-1389

Community Connections

- In the past 28 days, **Facebook** posts have reached 24,608 people. **Weekly e-blasts** are reaching 1,364 subscribers.
- 6/15: **Friends of WCPD** self-guided hike at Hisey Park and Caesar Creek Preserve. 12 hikers, 4 volunteers = 16 participants. (FWCPD ran this event on their own)
- 6/18: **Tech-Free Tuesday: Colorful Coral** with Cincinnati Museum Center at Landen-Deerfield Park. 36 adults, 72 kids, 8 volunteers = 120 total participants. (LA, SP)
- 6/18: Team Meeting with Matt Latham, Kathy Francis, and Haden Englert. (SP)
- 6/18: Nature Lovers' Book Club at Armco Park with OSU Extension. 4 participants. (LA)
- 6/20: WCPD Survey Kick-Off meeting with Matt and consultants from Human Nature and Razor to start formulating scientifically valid survey for community. (SP)
- 6/21: **Safety Town** with **Franklin Police Department**. Our reptile ambassadors helped children learn about how to safely interact with our animal ambassadors. 48 participants. (SP)
- 6/22: **Full Moon Hike** at Hisey Park. 36 hikers, 1 volunteer = 37 participants. (LA, SP)
- 6/24: Nature Education Team Meeting with Matt via MS Teams. (LA, SP)
- 6/25: **Tech-Free Tuesday: Reptiles and Amphibians** at Armco Park with our animal ambassadors. 82 adults, 153 kids, 4 volunteers = 239 participants. (LA)
- 6/25-6/27: **Fostering Sustainable Behavior**: Community-Based Social Marketing Training. (SP)
- 6/27: Toddler Trek: Live Like a Bee at Hisey Park. 5 adults, 8 kids = 13 participants. (LA)
- 6/28: **Future Conservationists Camp** at Armco Park with WCSWCD and Officer Jason Keller. Campers enjoyed fishing and kayaking on Armco Lake. 22 participants. (SP)
- 6/29: Partner Program: **Cops & Bobbers** with **Deerfield Township** Parks and Rec and our reptile ambassadors. 135 children participated per Sarah Kirby. (SP)
- 7/1: Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) meeting with Matt Bear, Laura Stanton, Megan Crouch, Laura Brodt, Chris Johnson, Susanne Mason, Roy Lutz, Allison Combs. The group is working on Community Fitness and Healthy Eating objectives for county-wide plan. (SP)













- 7/2: **Tech-Free Tuesday: Backyard Birds** with OSU Extension and Wild Birds Unlimited at Landen-Deerfield Park. 76 kids, 45 adults, 9 volunteers = 130 participants. (SP, LA)
- 7/2: **Leadership Team Meeting** with Matt, Larry Easterly, Kathy, Haden, and Bryan Billhimer. (SP)
- 7/3: Full-Moon Debrief with Niki Marengo from Arrow Adventure and Dawn Stutz from Our Open Home to review what went well and what could be better next time. There was excellent feedback from the Women's Retreat campers about Hisey Park. (SP)
- 7/5: Met with **Bryan** to identify display monitor locations for Duke Energy grant. Monitors will be installed at pro shop, boat dock, Jones Pavilion, and softball complex. Phase one will be to hang units and begin displaying energy being generated by the solar panels. Phase two will include adding a scrolling display to share upcoming Park District programs and available activities. (SP)
- 7/5: Partnership meeting with Dawn Stutz from Our Open Home and Lindsey from One Earth Collaborative about potential partnerships for glamping and a three-part tree-tapping series. (LA, SP)
- 7/8: **Toddler Trek: Bird Bonanza** at Landen-Deerfield. 10 adults, 12 children = 22 participants. (LA, SP)
- 7/8: Little Miami Watershed Network planning meeting for upcoming Junior Naturalists Camp at Armco Park later this month. (SP)
- 7/8: Warren County Conservation Collaborative meeting with Laura Stanton from OSU Ext, Melissa Proffitt from WCSWCD, and Suzanne Geisler from WC Solid Waste District to share upcoming programs and discuss upcoming collaborative projects. (SP)
- 7/9: **Tech-Free Tuesday: 4H Animals** at Armco Park. 102 kids, 54 adults, 9 volunteers = 165 participants. (SP, LA)





Upcoming Events and Projects

- Continuing projects: working with Bryan on the Nature Playscape and Duke Energy displays at Armco; working with Friends on Invasive Species removal at Hisey; writing content and collecting photos for new website; monitoring and coordinating volunteer inquiries.
- 7/10-7/13: Junior Intro to Golf (session one) at Armco Golf Course.
- 7/10: **Owl Prowl pre-hike** at Gulley Park. (LA, SP)
- 7/12: Warren County Leadership Float, launching from Clint Fultz Park. (SP)
- 7/13: Night Glow Golf and Foot Golf.
- 7/15: EVs Under the Stars planning meeting in partnership with Warren Co. Astronomical Society. (SP)
- 7/16: **Tech Free Tuesday: Dino Dig** with Cincinnati Museum Center. (LA, SP)
- 7/16: **Team Meeting**. (SP)
- 7/17-7/20: Junior Intro to Golf (session two) at Armco Park Golf Course.
- 7/17: Junior Naturalists Camp with Little Miami Watershed Network at Miller Park. (SP)
- 7/17: Warren County Fair, Natural Resources Night. (SP)
- 7/18: Toddler Trek: Bird Bonanza at Hisey Park. (LA)
- 7/20: Owl Prowl at Gulley Park. (LA, SP)
- 7/22: Nature Education Team Mtg. (LA, SP)
- 7/23: Tech-Free Tuesday: Creek Exploration with WCSWCD at Armco Park. (LA, SP)
- 7/24: Junior Naturalists Camp with Little Miami Watershed Network at Miller Park. (SP)
- 7/25: ODNR Sustainable Wildlife Action Plan Meeting at Cox Arboretum. (SP)
- 7/30: **Tech-Free Tuesday: Wildlife Officer and Archery** at Landen-Deerfield. (LA, SP)
- 8/1: WCPD Focus Group: Education. (SP)
- 8/6: **Tech-Free Tuesday: Camouflage** at Armco Park. (LA, SP)
- 8/6: **Team Meeting**. (SP)
- 8/8: **Toddler Trek: Spider Kid** at Landen-Deerfield Park. (LA)
- 8/10: Miller Park Butterfly Release in partnership with Lebanon City Parks and Rec. (SP)
- 8/10: Night Glow Golf and Foot Golf.
- 8/12: Nature Education Team Meeting. (LA, SP)
- 8/13: Tech-Free Tuesday: Birds of Prey with RAPTOR Inc at Landen-Deerfield Park. (LA, SP)



Armco Park Golf Course Presents

2024 JUNIOR INTRO TO GOLF

FREE lessons for children between the ages of 5-14

FIRST SESSION: JULY 10, 11, 12 SECOND SESSION: JULY 17, 18, 19 9:00-10:15AM

SPACE IS LIMITED
PLEASE CALL THE PRO SHOP TO SIGN UP!
513-695-3986

