



July 2019

Date and Time	Event	Meeting Location
Wednesday, Jul. 10 7:30 PM	Bat Count	Visitor Center
Saturday, Jul. 13 10:00	Tower Tour	Visitor Center
Friday, Jul. 19	Owl Hike	Dry Brooks Day Use Area, Hillside Pavilion
Saturday, Jul. 20 9:00 AM	Volunteer Work Day	Visitor Center
Saturday, Jul. 27 10:00 AM	Guided Hike Old Roads and Main Trail	Justa Road Access Area

August 2019

Date and Time	Event	Meeting Location
Thursday, Aug. 15 8:00 PM	Owl Hike	Dry Brooks Day Use Area, Hillside Pavilion
Saturday, Aug. 17 9:00 AM	Volunteer Work Day	Visitor Center
Thursday, Aug. 22 10:00 AM	Tower Tour	Visitor Center
Saturday, Aug. 31 10:00 AM	Guided Hike Multi-Use Trail Beauty Hike	Church Road Access Area

September 2019

Date and Time	Event	Meeting Location
Saturday, Sept. 7 10:00 AM	Tower Tour	Visitor Center
Saturday, Sept. 14 8:00 PM	Owl Hike	Dry Brooks Day Use Area, Hillside Pavilion
Saturday, Sept. 28 9:00 AM	National Public Lands Day Volunteer Work Day	Visitor Center
Saturday, Sept. 28 10:00 AM	National Public Lands Day Ranger Guided Hike	Visitor Center



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PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Control Tower Tours: Saturdays, July 6 and September 7 and Thursday August 22 @10:00 AM, meet at the Visitor Center Parking Lot.

Participants get a “behind-the-scenes” look at how the dam functions. Not only will you be out on the dam, but you will also be going inside the control tower. Be prepared to go down and up numerous steps. For those of you who cannot handle the steps you can go as far as the control room (about 20 steps).

Volunteer Work Days: Saturdays, July 20, Aug 17, and Sept 20 @ 9:00 AM, meet at the Visitor Center Parking Lot.

Join other volunteers to help clean up Blue Marsh Lake and complete volunteer projects! Tools, gloves, trash bags will be provided. You will meet at the Visitor Center and then be directed to your project or area of clean up. Pre-registration is preferred but not required by calling 267-284-6551 or by emailing Brianna.L.Treichler@usace.army.mil.

Bat Counts: Wednesday July 10 @ 7:30 PM, meet at the Visitor Center.

Join us at dusk to count bats that roost in our barns and nesting structures for the annual Pennsylvania Bat Count. Data gathered helps document and track bat populations across the state. For more information or pre-registration contact Ranger Jonah Eckert at 267-284-6554.

Owl Hike: Thursday, Aug 15 and Saturday, Sept 14 @ 8:00 PM, meet at the Dry Brooks Day Use Area - Hillside Pavilion

Come join the Rangers for a guided night hike while searching for some of our nocturnal residents. Learn about how the Blue Marsh Lake staff help provide owls with habitat through land management practices. Please bring a small flashlight, we will hand out red covers to protect the owls' and our night vision. The hike will be easy to moderate and approximately 1 mile. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AND LIMITED to 30 group participants .Please contact the Park Office at 610-376-6337.

Old Roads and Main Trail Guided Hike: Saturday, July 27 @ 10:00 AM, meet at the Justa Road Access Area

Break out of the house and embrace the summer weather by joining us for a guided hike along the old paved roadways throughout the Pennsylvania State Gamelands and Blue Marsh property! There is a great variety of habitats in this area that should result in some great bird and wildlife sightings! Don't forget your binoculars. The hike path is group's choice between different loop variations in the area. Opt for an easy to moderate hike of just over 3.75 mile hike, or a more challenging 5 mile hike!

Main Multi-Use Trail Beauty Hike: Saturday, August 31 @ 10:00 AM, meet at the Church Road Access Area.

Summer is coming to a close! Make the most of it by hiking back around open fields perfect for wildlife and bird viewing on the horse bypass trail. Then loop along the main trail following the lake around inlets and streams that offer the view of a small waterfall. The hike will be an easy to moderate 3 miles.

Ranger Guided Hike: Saturday, Sept 28 @ 10:00 AM, meet at the Visitor Center.

Come join the Rangers on a scenic and fact filled guided hike! Trek across the dam, through the Spillway and back up along the Tulpehocken Creek to the Stilling Basin while learning some history about the lake and why certain structures exist. The hike distance will be easy to moderate and approximately 3.5 miles.