



Twentieth Annual DEAD CREEK WILDLIFE DAY SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 1, 2022 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area Route 17W, Addison, Vermont

This schedule may change due to conflicts, please check the schedule again before arriving for the most up-to-date information. Last update: August 31, 2022

Activity	Description	Time	Location
Bird Banding Demonstration	Visit an active bird banding operation and learn the who, what, why, and how of this important work.	7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Dead Creek Rte 17 Access Area
Frogs of Vermont	Herp expert Jim Andrews will discuss the identification, natural history, and conservation of Vermont's eleven frog species.	10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters - Conference Room
Beginners Bird Walk	Otter Creek Audubon member Mike Winslow will lead this fun and educational birdwalk for beginners.	10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Dead Creek Rte 17 Access Area
Clayplain Forest Walk and Plant Identification	Enjoy a walk with Otter Creek Audubon's Barb Otsuka through a typical forest of the Champlain Valley to learn about the plants, animals, and special conditions the clayplain forest type supports. Less than 5% of the original clayplain forest remains.	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters
Goose Decoy Sets & Calls with Retriever Work	Learn how to set up decoys and use calls for goose hunting, and watch retrievers in action!	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters
★ Wild Kitchen on the Road	NEW! Join Vermont Wild Kitchen for an in-person wild cooking event. Throughout the day we will make a full meal of local wild foods over a campfire!	10:30 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters
Warden Dog Demonstration	Meet Warden Dog Crockett and watch him in action as he uses his nose to sniff out gunpowder and find people!	11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters
Soap Carving	Master carvers from the Birds of Vermont Museum will assist aspiring carvers in carving using soap. A fun activity for children of all ages!	11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Event Tent - Dead Creek Headquarters
★ Bat Homes at Dead Creek	NEW! Explore the Dead Creek buildings and bat houses and discover where some bats make their homes.	11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters
Sally Laughlin Award	This annual award will be given to a recipient who has helped conserve and protect endangered species in Vermont.	12:00 p.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters - Information Tent
Pointing Dog Demonstration	Watch highly trained pointing dogs in action and learn all about their skills from Alec Sparks of Snowbound Kennels.	12:15 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters - Kirby Pond
★ Eastern Meadowlark Project	NEW! Learn about the conservation of Bobolinks, Eastern Meadowlarks, and other grassland birds that are in danger of being lost from Vermont's landscape.	12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters - Conference Room
Invasive Species Walk	Join ecologist Everett Marshall on a walk where you'll learn to identify invasive species and the threat they pose to Vermont's native plants.	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	West Branch Parking Area
★ Wildlife Photography	NEW! Learn how to snap a great picture of your favorite critter with your hand held camera or a trail camera tucked in the woods!	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters
Soap Carving	Master carvers from the Birds of Vermont Museum will assist aspiring carvers in carving using soap. A fun activity for children of all ages!	2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Event Tent - Dead Creek Headquarters
Retriever Demo	Join members of the Lake Champlain Retrievers Club as they show off the skills of their highly trained dogs.	2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters - Kirby Pond
Nature Walk	Department ecologist Everett Marshall will lead this leisurely walk to look at birds, bugs, trees, and whatever else you can find.	2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	West Branch Parking Area
★ Interpretive Trail Tour	NEW! Take a tour of the newly developed Interpretive trail to learn about its features and things you can do at home to help wildlife	2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Dead Creek Visitor Center

All Day Activities		
Dead Creek Visitor Center and Interpretive Trail	9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Visitor Center
Live Critters of Vermont	9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters
Waterfowl Viewing	9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Dead Creek WMA Viewing Area
VT Fish & Wildlife Fish Culture Transport Truck	9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters
Operation Game Thief Trailer	9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters
Flycasting with Strengthen Your Mind Initiative	9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Kirby Pond
Face Painting & Crafts	9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Event Tent - Dead Creek Headquarters
Blue Bird Box Building	9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Event Tent - Dead Creek Headquarters
Hands-on Decoy Carving	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Event Tent - Dead Creek Headquarters
Retriever Dog Exhibit	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters
Big Sit Bird Identification Challenge	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Dead Creek Headquarters
Lets Go Fishing Activities	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Event Tent - Dead Creek Headquarters