



Mass Audubon
Protecting the Nature of Massachusetts

NORTH RIVER NATURE CAMP

Summer 2010



Save Money with These Early Bird Specials!

- Complete registration, including payment in full, by February 19 and receive a 10 percent discount.
- Register one child for two sessions and receive \$25 off the cost of the first session.

North River Wildlife Sanctuary

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Little Look Abouts

For children entering grade K

Little Look Abouts are involved in activities especially designed for a young child's energy level and curiosity about animals and plants. The small group size allows for extra attention and guidance during daily trail explorations, crafts, and games. The camper/instructor ratio is 5:1. **The Thursday of each session, campers are invited to bring a lunch and stay until 12:30 p.m. for a picnic on the sanctuary.**

One-week sessions, 9 a.m.-noon

Fee is \$190 Member/\$250 Nonmember

Session 2 fee is \$152 Member/\$200 Nonmember (adjustment for July 5 holiday)

Session 1, June 21-25

Awesome Amphibians

Session 2, July 6-9 (There is no camp on Monday, July 5.)

If You Were a Bug

Session 3, July 19-23

Living Underground

Session 4, August 2-6

Things That Fly



Theme Weeks for Grades 1-5

Specific weekly themes will focus on observation, exploration, and respect for animals, plants, and their habitats. The goal of theme weeks is to create a shared sense of learning throughout the camp community. Each session will include a field trip to Duxbury Beach, the Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuary, or North Hill Marsh in Duxbury.

Discoverers

For children entering grade 1

Each Discoverers session is designed to encourage a young child's curiosity, increase awareness of plants and animals, and promote joyful play in the outdoors. The camper/instructor ratio is 5:1.

One-week sessions, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Fee is \$225 Member/\$285 Nonmember

Session 2 fee is \$180 Member/\$228 Nonmember (adjustment for July 5 holiday)

Session 1, June 28-July 2

Mammals-Growing Up With Fur

Session 2, July 6-9 (There is no camp on July 5.)

Reptiles & Amphibians-Slither & Hop

Session 3, July 12-16

Insects-Growing in Stages

Session 4, July 19-23

Birds-Life in the Nest



Explorers

For children entering grades 2 and 3

The Explorers program is designed to engage campers with observational and hands-on field activities that emphasize the characteristics and adaptations of plants and animals. The camper/instructor ratio is 8:1.



One-week sessions, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Fee is \$225 Member/\$285 Nonmember

Session 2 fee is \$180 Member/

\$228 Nonmember (adjustment for July 5 holiday)

Session 1, June 28-July 2

Mammals-How Big are Your Jawbones?

Session 2, July 6-9

(There is no camp on July 5.)

Reptiles & Amphibians-Living with Shells, Scales, and Skin

Session 3, July 12-16

Insects-Wings of Disguise

Session 4, July 19-23

Birds-Learning to Fly

Naturalists

For children entering grades 4 and 5

The Naturalists program is designed to enhance a camper's abilities to not only identify and name various plants and animals, but to understand their behaviors and come to know the stories that tie them to the land. Camper/instructor ratio is 8:1.

One-week sessions, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Fee is \$225 Member/\$285 Nonmember

Session 2 fee is \$180 Member/\$228 Nonmember (adjustment for July 5 holiday)

Session 1, June 28-July 2

Mammals-To Hunt or be Hunted

Session 2, July 6-9

(There is no camp on July 5.)

Reptiles & Amphibians-Threats to Survival

Session 3, July 12-16

Insects-Our Pollinating Friends

Session 4, July 19-23

Birds-Finding Food and Defending Territory



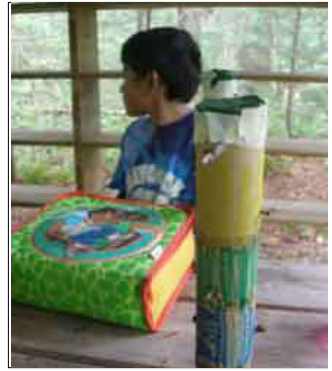
Nature Crafts

For children entering grades 1 and 2

Tired of making crafts that just get stuck on the fridge? Rocks, twigs, leaves, and other natural items will serve as our craft material this week. Through exploratory trail hikes, we'll seek inspiration from the outdoors and then let natural creativity take its course!

One-week session, August 2-6, 9 a.m.-noon

Fee is \$200 Member/\$260 Nonmember



Finding Art in Nature

For children entering grades 3-5



Spend the week exploring the sights and sounds of the North River Wildlife Sanctuary. We'll search for art in the natural world, using various materials to interpret what we find. *Note: this is not a technical art camp. It is intended to provide campers the opportunity to express themselves creatively while having fun in the outdoors.*

One-week session,

August 2-6, 9 a.m.-noon

Fee is \$200 Member/\$260 Nonmember

Everyday Adventures

For children entering grades 1-4

Once again, there will be lots of activity choices each day. Scavenger hunts, nature games, skits, songs, group games, shelter building, experiments and more. We believe a true adventurer is always up for anything, and that's what this week is all about. Prepare to be outside and probably get dirty.

One-week session, July 26-30, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. *Fee is \$225 Member/\$285 Nonmember*

Counselors In Training—The CIT program for teens age 14-16 is an opportunity for young adults to gain naturalist and leadership skills, foster personal growth while acting as a volunteer assistant to camp counselors. Experience working with children is helpful. CITs must attend a one-week orientation/training session and we require a minimum commitment of two weeks. Contact the camp director for more information and to apply.

If you would like further information regarding any of the specific camp programs, please email your questions to the camp director at northrivercamp@massaudubon.org or call 781-837-9400.

New Programs for 2010

CSI: The Lost Ladybug Project *For Children entering grades 4, 5 and 6*

Some natives are missing, native ladybugs that is, and they need your help. Join us for a week-long, investigative study that will take us in search of some rare insect species. Participation in the Lost Ladybug Project will provide campers an introduction to citizen science, as the data they collect will be sent directly to scientists who rely on this information to complete studies. Come learn more about this brightly-colored predator and help save an important species.



One-week session, July 26-30, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Fee is \$240 Member/\$300 Nonmember

Night Camp

For children entering grades 5 and 6

If you've ever wondered what summer camp would be like at night, now's your chance. We'll take to the fields and trails, exploring a new topic each night. From fireflies to frogs, bats and moths, shadows and stars, the darkening hours at North River are guaranteed to offer up a new kind of experience. Bring your nocturnal side and prepare to play in the dark!

One-week session, August 2-6, 6:30-9 p.m. *Fee is \$175 Member/\$235 Nonmember*

Camp Eco-Challenge

For children entering grades 5 and 6

Take the challenge this week to find out how you'd do in the wilderness with a team of people. Tackle some team building activities; use a map and compass to navigate an orienteering course; learn wilderness survival skills; become familiar with the principles of Leave No Trace; and discover your own leadership potential through the daily challenges of working alongside different people. **The week will conclude with an overnight campout on Thursday at the Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuary. Camp ends at 9 a.m. on Friday morning after the overnight.**

One-week session, August 9-13 9 a.m.-3 p.m. *Fee is \$250 Member/\$310 Nonmember*



There's more to explore at
Mass Audubon's overnight camp in
Rindge, New Hampshire.

Go wild this summer!
Call toll-free 866-MAS-CAMP
for details, or visit
wildwood online at
www.wildwoodcamp.org

A Typical Day at Camp...



8:45-9:15 a.m.
9:15-9:30a.m.
9:30 a.m.-Noon
Noon-1 p.m.
1-2:30 p.m.
2:30-2:45 p.m.
2:45-3 p.m.

Check In and Option Time
Opening Circle
Group Hikes/Explorations
Lunch and Free Play
Choice of Activities
Wrap and Pack
Closing Circle

Camp and Registration Information 2010

Camper Expectations—Due to the active outdoor and exploratory nature of our camp program, participants must be able to move about on uneven terrain. Campers are expected to participate meaningfully in age-appropriate activities with a focus on nature study, and follow stated behavior expectations and safety rules. If you have a question regarding your child's ability to participate, contact the camp director at 781-837-9400.

Summer Camp Staff—Our instructors are enthusiastic and caring individuals, dedicated to helping children develop a special relationship with the natural world. All staff undergo background checks and participate in safety, child development, and natural history training. All are First Aid and CPR certified.

A Deposit/Enrollment Fee of \$75 per week must accompany each registration. All deposits are nonrefundable and nontransferable to other sessions or persons. After your child's registration is processed, you will receive a confirmation packet with all necessary forms. Please notify the office if you do not receive the packet within two weeks. Please note, Massachusetts state law and the American Camping Association require all campers to submit completed health forms supplied by the camp and a current immunization record with a doctor's signature every year.

Deadline—All health forms and the balance of your fees are due on or before **May 24, unless special arrangements are made with the Camp Director.** Those registering after May 24 pay in full. A **\$20 Late Fee** per camper is automatically accrued for any late or incomplete forms and/or payments. Staff members require time to review these forms so that we can better understand the needs of our campers. **No camper is allowed in camp unless all health forms, waivers, and payments are complete.**

Waiting List—If a session is full, your child can be added to a waiting list.

Refund Policy—The camp fee includes a nonrefundable \$75 registration fee. If you cancel for any reason before camp begins, your refund is calculated by the following schedule (minus the \$75 registration fee): 60+ days in advance, 100 percent; 21 days in advance, 50 percent; less than 21 days in advance, no refund. All requests for cancellations must be received in writing. We reserve the right to cancel a session due to low enrollment. In this event, a full refund will be given. Refunds are not given for sick or absent days.

Become a member and SAVE—Membership helps to meet our mission—protecting the nature of Massachusetts. Benefits include free admission to 47 sanctuaries, program and shop discounts, the South Shore newsletter, and more. To receive the member rate, your membership at family-level (\$58) or higher, must be current through your last session. You may purchase a membership with your registration.

Camp Scholarship Fund—Thanks to our generous donors, we can offer partial scholarships dependent on need. To be considered for a scholarship, please call the camp director to receive an application.

TO REGISTER—Mail or drop off a completed registration form and deposits.



Discovery Day Camp is accredited by the American Camping Association. This camp must comply with regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (105 CMR430) the Marshfield Board of Health and the American Camp Association and is licensed by the local board of health. In compliance with Department of Public Health requirements (105 CMR 430109) you may request a copy of the Discovery Day Camp's health and discipline policies and staffing procedures as well as procedures for filing a grievance.



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2010 REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete a separate form for each camper.

Camper Name _____ Male Female

Date of Birth ____/____/____ Entering Grade ____ September 2010

Home Mailing Address _____
Street/P.O. Box _____ City _____ Zip _____

Summer Address if Different _____

Guardian I Name _____ Relationship _____

Phone—Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Email _____ MAS member # _____

Guardian II Name _____ Relationship _____

Phone—Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

I am joining now. Membership fee (\$58) enclosed *Charge to credit card* .

Please register my child for the following camp sessions:

Name of Session	Start Date	Fee
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

TOTAL \$ _____

Less Deposit (\$75 per session) \$ _____

Balance Due May 25 \$ _____

Please send a camp scholarship application _____

Date Processed (*Office Use Only*) Date _____

Info Packet Sent (*Office Use Only*) Date _____

For identity and safety assurances, fax and email submissions are not accepted.

Cash Check (payable to Mass Audubon) or charge to MasterCard/VISA

Name _____ Zip Code _____

Card # _____ Expiration _____

Date _____

I agree to allow Mass Audubon to charge my VISA/MasterCard in the amount specified above and understand that refunds will only be provided in accordance with the stated refund policy.

Signature _____ Register by phone with credit card, or mail this form

with payment to: Mass Audubon, 2000 Main Street, Marshfield, MA 02050.