BLACK SWAMP BIRD OBSERVATORY
2016 EVENTS CALENDAR

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The BSBO Gift Shop is open year 'round; hours vary by season.
Please visit bsbo.org or call 419-898-4070 for our current hours.

JANUARY

Sunday the 3rd
OTTAWA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT
Contact Tom Bartlett at
419-447-0005 or email
hthomas.bartlett@gmail.com

Saturday the 16th
OTTAWA NATIONAL WILDLIFE CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT 4 KIDS
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Kids ages 8 to 12 meet at the visitor center

FEBRUARY

Saturday the 6th
WINTERING OWLS & HAWKS FIELD TRIP WITH BSBO
1 p.m. - Dusk
Killdeer Plains Wildlife Area
Meet at KPWA Headquarters
19100 County Highway 115
Harpster, OH 43323
Limited to 40 people; RSVP Required

MARCH

Saturday the 5th
ADAMS COUNTY AMISH BIRDING SYMPOSIUM
9:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.
3735 Wheat Ridge Road
Wheat Ridge Amish Community Bldg
West Union, OH 45693
adamscountytravel.org

Saturday the 12th
SHREVE MIGRATION SENSATION
7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Shreve, Ohio
You can register at the door
$15.00 admission
www.shreveohio.com/migration-sensation

APRIL

Saturday the 9th
HIKE THE DIKES
9 a.m.
Meet at the ONWR visitor center

Sunday the 10th
HIGHWAY CLEANUP & HOT DOG ROAST
10 a.m.— Noon
Black Swamp Bird Observatory
Please call 419-898-4070 to sign up, and don't forget to bring a friend!

Tuesday the 12th
WILDLIFE DIVERSITY CONFERENCE
9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Ohio Union, Ohio State University
Columbus, Ohio

Saturday the 30th
SONGBIRD MIGRATION BANDING PROGRAM
10 a.m.—FREE
Black Swamp Bird Observatory

MAY

Friday the 6th to Sunday the 15th
THE BIGGEST WEEK IN AMERICAN BIRDING
Festival Headquarters:
Maumee Bay Lodge
www.bwiab.com

Saturday the 14th
TOM BARTLETT'S BIG SIT
BSBO's Fundraiser for Education
5 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Near the west end of the
Magee Marsh Boardwalk

Saturday the 14th
International Migratory Bird Day!

Saturday the 14th
HIKE THE DIKES
9 a.m.
Meet at the ONWR visitor center

May 6th-15th, 2016

In the WARBLER CAPITAL OF THE WORLD!

www.bwiab.com

The Biggest Week is back and it's going to be better than ever!

More field trips, excellent workshops, keynote presentations, social gatherings, fabulous speakers, and much, much more!

Registration opening in February 2016!

Headquarters will return to Maumee Bay Lodge & Conference Center.

If you are interested in volunteering, please call BSBO at 419-898-4070 or email biggestweek@bsbo.org

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JUNE

Friday the 3rd and
Saturday the 4th
OPTICS FLING
Time & Optics
Millersburg, Ohio

Saturday the 11th
HIKE THE DIKES
9 a.m.
Meet at the ONWR visitor center

Saturday the 25th
BOBOLINKS AND BUTTERFLIES AT BYERS WOODS
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
671 County Rd. 1754
Ashland, Ohio
www.gmasohio.org for details

JULY

Saturday the 9th
HIKE THE DIKES
9 a.m.
Meet at the ONWR visitor center

Wednesday the 13th
HIGHWAY CLEANUP & HOT DOG ROAST
6 p.m.– 8 p.m.
Black Swamp Bird Observatory
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AUGUST

Saturday the 13th
HIKE THE DIKES
9 a.m.
Meet at the ONWR visitor center

Sunday the 21st
BSBO VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PICNIC
12:30 p.m.
Call BSBO to RSVP at 419-898-4070

Visit www.bsbo.org for more information about BSBO events & activities!

SEPTEMBER

Sunday the 4th
NEW VOLUNTEER MEETING FOR SONGBIRD RESEARCH PROJECT
1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Black Swamp Bird Observatory
Register by calling 419-898-4070

Tuesday the 6th
WORLD SHOREBIRD DAY
www.worldshorebirdsday.wordpress.com

Saturday the 10th
HIKE THE DIKES
9 a.m.
Meet at the ONWR visitor center

Saturday the 24th and
Sunday the 25th
CONFUSING FALL WARBLERS WORKSHOP
Black Swamp Bird Observatory
Preregistration required by calling 419-898-4070 or online at www.bsbo.org

OCTOBER

OYBC BIG SIT
Check with your local OYBC chapter for date, location, and time.

Sunday the 16th
HIGHWAY CLEANUP & HOT DOG ROAST
10 a.m.– Noon
Black Swamp Bird Observatory
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NOVEMBER

Saturday the 5th
10th ANNUAL *OHIO YOUNG BIRDERS CONFERENCE*
Check out OYBC website for more info
www.ohioyoungbirders.org
Saturday the 19th
LAKE ERIE PELAGIC
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Cleveland, Ohio
Preregistration required by calling 419-898-4070 or online at www.bsbo.org

DECEMBER

Saturday the 3rd
LAKE ERIE PELAGIC
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Cleveland, Ohio
Preregistration required by calling 419-898-4070 or online at www.bsbo.org

Sunday the 4th
HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE
Black Swamp Bird Observatory
Magee Marsh Wildlife Area
Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge
Noon to 4 p.m.

TBD
FREMONT CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT
7 a.m.—5 p.m.
Meet at the McDonalds in Fremont
for assignments or information call 419-898-4070 or email lesterpeyton@bsbo.org

Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge Wildlife Drive Dates for 2016

The 7 mile ONE WAY gravel route begins from the overflow parking area.
Open sunrise to sunset.
Entrance gate closes one hour prior to sunset.

- May 6 - 15
- May 21 - 22
- May 30
- June 18 - 19
- July 16 - 17
- August 20 - 21

**More dates will be listed as they become available*