



Chequamegon Bay Birding & Nature Festival

May 19 – 21, 2022

Summary of Activities

Activities noted in RED are FULL.

ACTIVITY TIMES

All start and end times include round-trip traveling time from the David R. Obey Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center (NGLVC). Each off-site activity will have a group departing from NGLVC. However, some activities located in communities around the bay will also have a local meeting point and time listed in their descriptions so you can start at that site for your convenience. It is the responsibility of the participant to be at the correct location at the correct time. Refunds will not be given for missed attendance.

REGISTRATION FEES

Cost will be **\$20 per person per activity**. Attendance will be capped at 15 participants per trip and participants will be limited to signing up for no more than **four** trips. FREE Activities 4, 31 and 41 do not count towards your max of 4 activities for the 3 days.

ADDITIONAL COSTS

While most activities are covered by the registration fee, a few activities have some additional costs for participants. Whenever there is an additional cost involved in a particular activity it will be indicated in the activity description and table. Parking fees are payable at the time of the activity.

TYPES OF ACTIVITIES

All 2022 activities are outdoor FIELD TRIPS that feature guided tours on foot, by car, or kayak.

GROUP SIZES

Each activity has a minimum and maximum group size. If the number of participants is less than the minimum required, the activity may be subject to cancellation. Activities that have their maximum number of participants will be highlighted in red and marked FULL. Signing up early is the best way to ensure you get the activities you want!

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation for field trips and other activities is not provided by the festival. Be aware that some trips may involve rough unpaved roads – medium to high-clearance vehicles are recommended. Some activities may have additional parking costs that are payable at the time of the activity.

LEVELS OF DIFFICULTY

Numerical categories ranging from 1 (easiest) to 5 (most challenging) indicate the level of difficulty for each activity. Please note these are guesstimates made at the time of planning and subject to minor changes based on current conditions.

1=Accessible, 2=Easy, 3=Average, 4=Challenging, 5=Extreme

Thursday Morning

| Program # | Activity Name | Start Time | End Time | Difficulty | Min / Max | Extra Cost |
|-----------|--|----------------|-----------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| 1 | FULL Bibon Swamp Birding | 6:30 AM | 11:00 AM | 3 | 5*15 | |
| 2 | FULL Birding Copper Falls State Park | 6:30 AM | 11:30 AM | 3 | 5*15 | Parking |
| 3 | FULL Birds & Wildlife of the Moquah Pine Barrens | 6:30 AM | 11:30 AM | 4 | 5*15 | |
| 4 | A Bird in the Hand... | 7:00 AM | 11:00 AM | 2 | n/a | FREE |
| 5 | FULL Birding Along Pikes Creek | 7:00 AM | 11:00 AM | 2 | 5*15 | |
| 6 | FULL Birding by the Bay | 7:00 AM | 11:00 AM | 3 | 5*15 | |
| 7 | Grassland Birding | 7:00 AM | 11:00 AM | 2 | 5*15 | |

Thursday Afternoon

| Program # | Activity Name | Start Time | End Time | Difficulty | Min / Max | Extra Cost |
|-----------|--|------------|----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 8 | Exploring North Pikes Creek Wetlands | 12:30 PM | 4:30 PM | 4 | 5*15 | |
| 9 | FULL Hiking the Jerry Jolly Trail | 12:30 PM | 4:30 PM | 3 | 5*15 | |
| 10 | FULL Spring Discovery Walk at the Lincoln Community Forest | 12:30 PM | 4:30 PM | 3 | 5*15 | |
| 11 | FULL Northwoods Nature Hike at Houghton Falls | 1:00 PM | 4:30 PM | 2 | 5*15 | |
| 12 | Paddling Lower Chequamegon Bay | 1:00 PM | 4:30 PM | 3 | 5*15 | BYOC |
| 13 | Wildflower Walk - Spring Ephemerals | 1:00 PM | 4:30 PM | 2 | 5*15 | |

Thursday Evening

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|-----------|-------------------------------------|------------|----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 14 | FULL Owl Prowl & Other Night Sounds | 8:00 PM | 10:30 PM | 2 | 5*15 | |

Friday Morning

| Program # | Activity Name | Start Time | End Time | Difficulty | Min / Max | Extra Cost |
|-----------|--|------------|----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 15 | FULL Birding by the Bay - Ashland | 6:30 AM | 11:00 AM | 2 | 5*15 | |
| 16 | FULL Birding at Bark Bay | 6:30 AM | 11:30 AM | 3 | 5*15 | |
| 17 | Sea Caves Nature Hike | 6:30 AM | 11:30 AM | 4 | 5*15 | Parking |
| 18 | FULL Birding by the Bay - Washburn | 7:00 AM | 11:00 AM | 2 | 5*15 | |
| 19 | FULL Birding Whittlesey Creek National Wildlife Refuge | 7:00 AM | 11:00 AM | 3 | 5*15 | |
| 20 | FULL Discovering Caroline Lake State Natural Area | 7:00 AM | 11:30 AM | 3 | 5*15 | |

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| 21 | FULL Birding by the Bay - Washburn | 12:30 PM | 4:30 PM | 2 | 5*15 | |
| 22 | FULL Paddling Bibon Swamp | 12:30 PM | 4:30 PM | 3 | 5*15 | BYOC |
| 23 | FULL Nature Hike to Lost Creek Falls | 12:30 PM | 5:00 PM | 4 | 5*15 | |
| 24 | FULL Birding by the Bay - Ashland | 1:00 PM | 4:30 PM | 2 | 5*15 | |
| 25 | Plants of Bogs & Barrens | 1:00 PM | 4:30 PM | 3 | 5*15 | |
| 26 | Wildflower Walk - Spring Ephemerals | 1:00 PM | 4:30 PM | 3 | 5*15 | |

Friday Evening

| Program # | Activity Name | Start Time | End Time | Difficulty | Min / Max | Extra Cost |
|-----------|--------------------|------------|----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 27 | FULL Woodcock Walk | 8:30 PM | 10:00 PM | 2 | 5*15 | |

Saturday Morning

| Program # | Activity Name | Start Time | End Time | Difficulty | Min / Max | Extra Cost |
|-----------|---|------------|----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 28 | FULL Birds of Morgan Falls & St. Peter's Dome | 6:30 AM | 11:30 AM | 4 | 5*15 | |
| 29 | FULL Birding the Porcupine Lake Wilderness Area | 6:30 AM | 11:30 AM | 3 | 5*15 | |
| 30 | FULL Wetland & Woodland Birds of Iron River | 6:30 AM | 11:30 AM | 4 | 5*15 | |
| 31 | A Bird in the Hand... | 7:00 AM | 11:00 AM | 2 | n/a | FREE |
| 32 | FULL Birding Bayfield's Big Ravine | 7:00 AM | 11:00 AM | 3 | 5*15 | |
| 33 | Grassland Birding | 7:00 AM | 11:00 AM | 2 | 5*15 | |
| 34 | FULL Bibon Swamp Birding | 7:00 AM | 11:30 AM | 3 | 5*15 | |

Saturday Afternoon

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|-----------|--|------------|----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 35 | Fire & the Ecology of the Pine Barrens | 12:30 PM | 4:30 PM | 3 | 5*15 | |
| 36 | Tracking Mammals in the Field | 12:30 PM | 4:30 PM | 4 | 5*15 | |
| 37 | Sea Caves Nature Hike | 12:30 PM | 5:00 PM | 4 | 5*15 | Parking |
| 38 | Beginning Birding by Ear | 1:00 PM | 4:00 PM | 1 | 5*15 | |
| 39 | FULL Shorebirds Made Simpler | 1:00 PM | 4:30 PM | 3 | 5*15 | |
| 40 | Wildflower Walk - Spring Ephemerals | 1:00 PM | 4:30 PM | 2 | 5*15 | |

Saturday Evening

| Program # | Activity Name | Start Time | End Time | Difficulty | Min / Max | Extra Cost |
|-----------|------------------------------------|------------|----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 41 | Sightings of the Day... Virtually! | 7:00 PM | 8:00 PM | 1 | n/a | FREE |