

Programs and Events JUNE 1 - 7, 2025



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YANKEE SPRINGS RECREATION AREA

	Wednesday 6/4	Thursday 6/5	Friday 6/6	Saturday 6/7
<p>WELCOME TO YANKEE SPRINGS RECREATION AREA!</p> <p>JOIN OUR EXPLORER GUIDE PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES</p> <p>KIDS BRING YOUR ADULTS</p> <p>FREE FISHING WEEKEND JUNE 7 & 8!</p>	<p>SUPER SNAKES! 10 A.M.</p> <p>Is it a Blue Racer, Eastern Hognose, or Northern Water Snake? Create a snake of your own! Explore Gun Lake's shoreline to watch water snakes.</p> <p>1/2 MILE HIKE MEET- Gun Lake Campground office</p> <p>SUPER SNAKES! 2 P.M.</p> <p>We'll hike out to the Deep Lake Fishing Pier. 1/2 MILE HIKE MEET- Deep Lake Boat Launch</p>	<p>HOOK, LINE & SINKER! 10 A.M.</p> <p>Get ready for Free Fishing Weekend! Learn fishing skills, practice casting & GO FISHING on our exciting new FISHING PIER! Poles and bait will be provided. MEET- Gun Lake Day Use at our Fishing Pier, across the Channel from Gun Lake Campground.</p> <p>HOOK, LINE & SINKER! 2 P.M.</p> <p>MEET- Deep Lake Boat Launch</p>	<p>WHO'S HOOTING? 10 A.M.</p> <p>Great Horned Owl, Barred Owl or Screech Owl? Listen to the calls of owls who live in Yankee Springs. Make an Owl of your own to hike with on our SASSAFRAS TRAIL.</p> <p>1 MILE HIKE MEET- Gun Lake Campground office</p> <p>WHO'S HOOTING? 2 P.M.</p> <p>MEET- Deep Lake Boat Launch</p> <p>1/2 MILE HIKE Along the Deep Lake shoreline</p>	<p>EAGLES & OSPREY! 10 A.M.</p> <p>Find out all about YANKEE SPRING'S RAPTORS. What Birds of Prey live here? Can you tell the Bald Eagle from the Osprey while in flight? We'll start out on our Sassafras Trail and join up with the Long Lake Trail to hike past an Eagle Nest!</p> <p>3 MILE HIKE Meet at- Gun Lake Campground office</p> <p>Bring water and snacks</p> <p>All kids need an adult to hike with.</p>

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Programs and events JUNE 8 - 14, 2025



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	Wednesday 6/11	Thursday 6/12	Friday 6/13	Saturday 6/14
<p>WELCOME TO YANKEE SPRINGS RECREATION AREA!</p> <p>JOIN IN OUR EXPLORER GUIDE PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES</p> <p>KIDS BRING YOUR ADULTS</p> <p>DISCOVER NATURE!</p>	<p>TURTLES TURTLES! 10 A.M.</p> <p>Red-eared slider or Spiny Soft shell? Discover Michigan turtles. Make a turtle of your own! Hike along Gun Lake shoreline to see turtles!</p> <p>1 MILE HIKE MEET-Gun Lake Campground office</p> <p>DEEP LAKE TURTLES! 2 P.M.</p> <p>We'll hike out to the Deep Lake Fishing Pier. 1/2 MILE HIKE MEET- Deep Lake Boat Launch</p>	<p>HOOK, LINE & SINKER! 10 A.M.</p> <p>Identify fish species Learn fishing skills. Practice casting & GO FISHING on our exciting brand-new FISHING PIER! Poles and bait will be provided. MEET-Gun Lake Day Use at our Fishing Pier, across the Channel from Gun Lake Campground.</p> <p>GYOTAKU! 2 P.M.</p> <p>Create a Fish print using this ancient Fisherman's art form !</p>	<p>DARTING DRAGONFLIES! 10 A.M.</p> <p>What happens to Dragonfly eggs when they hatch? Where do they go? Make your own Dragonfly! Hike Gun Lake shoreline & see these flying predators!</p> <p>1/2 MILE HIKE MEET- Gun Lake Campground office</p> <p>DEEP LAKE DRAGONS! 2 P.M.</p> <p>MEET- Deep Lake Boat Launch</p> <p>1/2 MILE HIKE Make a dragonfly & Hike DL shoreline</p>	<p>SIGN OF THE BEAVER! 10 A.M.</p> <p>Hike the peaceful shoreline of HALL LAKE. Watch for Beaver signs. Find out how Beavers work together as a family. Hear Frogs calling, see fish swimming and wetland wonders!</p> <p>3 MILE HIKE Meet HALL LAKE TRAILHEAD</p> <p>Across from LONG LAKE OUTDOOR CENTER</p> <p>Bring water and snacks</p> <p>All kids need an adult to hike with.</p>

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Programs and events JUNE 15 - 21, 2025



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	Wednesday 6/18	Thursday 6/19	Friday 6/20	Saturday 6/21
<p>WELCOME TO YANKEE SPRINGS RECREATION AREA!</p> <p>JOIN IN OUR EXPLORER GUIDE PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES</p> <p>KIDS BRING YOUR ADULTS</p> <p>DISCOVER NATURE!</p>	<p>MAGICAL MONARCHS! 10 A.M.</p> <p>Can you spot a Monarch egg? What do they use their Proboscis for? See all the stages of the Monarch's life. Play the Nectar game. Make a BUTTERFLY of your own! MEET- Gun Lake Campground office.</p> <p>MIGRATORY MARVELS! 2 P.M.</p> <p>Fly thru stations to see what our birds are up against! Meet Gun Lake campground office</p>	<p>HOOK, LINE & SINKER! 10 A.M.</p> <p>Identify fish species Learn fishing skills. Practice castings & GO FISHING on our exciting brand-new FISHING PIER! Poles and bait will be provided. MEET Gun Lake Day Use at our Fishing Pier, Across the Channel from Gun Lake Campground.</p> <p>GYOTAKU! 2 P.M.</p> <p>Create a FISH print using this ancient Fisherman's art form! MEET – Gun Lake Campground office</p>	<p>SECRETIVE SALAMANDERS 10 A.M.</p> <p>Is it a Blue-Spotted or Red-Backed Salamander? Where do they lay their eggs? Find out about the lifecycle of these fascinating creatures Hike ½ Mile into Salamander habitat! MEET- Gun Lake Campground office</p> <p>SALAMANDER CREATIONS! 2 P.M.</p> <p>Create a Salamander of your own to take home ! MEET – Gun Lake Campground office.</p>	<p>DEVIL'S SOUP BOWL! 10 A.M.</p> <p>Hike to the DEVIL'S SOUP BOWL with Yankee Spring's Explorer Guide! Discover how this glacial feature was made. See Hall Lake's wetland wonders too!</p> <p>3 MILE HIKE Meet HALL LAKE TRAILHEAD</p> <p>Across from LONG LAKE OUTDOOR CENTER</p> <p>Bring water and snacks</p> <p>All kids need an adult to hike with.</p>

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