



New York Invasive Species Awareness Week Programs in State Parks

Sunday, July 10, 9:30 – 11 am, *Alien Invaders* Four Mile Creek State Park

Learn about invasive species in our area! Test your knowledge with a game of Invasive Species Jeopardy. Free program by New York State Park naturalists. Meet at the picnic shelter near the lake.

Sunday, July 10, 10 – 11 am, *Invasive Species Walk* Evangola State Park

After an introduction to some Great Lake Invasive specimens in the nature center we will hike past multiflora rose, phragmites, quagga mussels and more and explain their impact on the environment. Learn more by calling the Evangola Nature Center at (716) 549-1050. Program starts at the Nature Center.

Sunday, July 10, 10 am – 12 pm, *Bear Mountain: Mile-a-Minute Removal*, Bear Mountain State Park

On July 10th, the Bear Mountain State Park Invasive Species Program is holding a hand-removal of mile-a-minute vine on the Jones Bike Path in Tomkins Cove. This is a half-mile south of the Bear Mountain rotary along Highway 9W. Look for the balloons!

Event participation is free.

For more information, please contact Christine at mamhudsonvalley@gmail.com

Sunday, July 10, 1:30 ~ 3:30 pm, *Take Back the Woods!* Connetquot River State Park

Changing of soil types, overcrowding, out competing; there are non-native species taking over the woods. Come help our native plants by volunteering to remove them! And while you're at it, discover how to identify and help in your own backyard. No program fee. Reservations are required: (631) 581 -1072.



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Sunday, July 10, 1:30 ~ 3:30 pm, *Take Back the Woods!* Sunken Meadow State Park

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Monday, July 11. 9 am – 12 pm, *Invasive Species Removal* Ganondagan State Historic Site

Participants of all ages welcome as long as they are able to participate (young children often have difficulty focusing for duration of volunteer time). Removal of woody and herbaceous invasive species throughout the site. May require minimal hiking. Areas vary and may or may not be shaded from the sun. We'll meet at the Environmental Field Office.

Registration: Email Alexis (alexis.vanwinkle@parks.ny.gov) to let her know you will attend.

Tuesday, July 12, 10 am, *Creepy Crawlies ... Hemlock Woolly Adelgid* Allegany State Park

Meet at the entrance to the Mt Tuscarora hiking trail near the Quaker entrance for a hike and discussion about the hemlock woolly adelgid, an invasive insect found in some of Allegany's hemlock trees. Learn more by calling (716) 354-9101.

Tuesday, July 12, 5 – 6:30 pm, *Tuesday Cruise*, Allegany State Park

Meet at the Red House Picnic Area parking lot. Enjoy a leisurely ride around Red House Lake with the park naturalists. Learn about a few invasive plants and how to prevent their spread. If you have a cruiser or a bike with a basket, streamers, a bell, or flag, this ride is for you. Wear GREEN since its "Invasive Species Awareness Week". A prize will be awarded to the "greenest" bike or rider. Please no scooter bikes or training wheels. All children must be accompanied by an adult and wear helmets. Learn more by calling (716) 354-9101.



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Thursday, July 14, 12 – 4 pm, *Finger Lakes Invasive Species*, Taughannock Falls State Park

Staff from the Friends of Recreation, Conservation and Environmental Stewardship Invasive Species Management Stewards will be on the Gorge Trail with samples of common invasive species in the Finger Lakes region and handouts on how to prevent the spread of invasive species.

Friday, July 15, 8:30 – 11:30 am Caumsett State Park Invasive Removal Morning
Caumsett Historic Park State Park Preserve

NY Invasive Species Awareness Week at Caumsett State Historic Park Preserve. Help the Caumsett Foundation remove invasive plants in the park's grassland area and plant natives. Learn about Caumsett State Historic Park Preserve's projects managing invasive plants including Mugwort, Mile-a-Minute, and Tree of Heaven. Meet at Caumsett State Historic Park Preserve, 25 Lloyd Harbor Road, Huntington, NY, 11743, by the toll booth opposite parking lot. Volunteers do not pay a fee to enter the park. Water and snacks will be provided. Wear long pants, supportive shoes, socks, and a hat. Bring sunblock and insect repellent. Garden gloves will be provided. RSVP to Sue Feustel at suefeustel@optonline.net.

Friday, July 15, 9 am – 2 pm, *Emerald Ash Borer Workshop*, Minna Anthony Commons Nature Center, Wellesley Island State Park

The emerald ash borer (EAB) is an invasive forest pest that kills ash trees. EAB is responsible for the destruction of more than 50 million ash trees since its discovery in Michigan in 2002. New York ash trees are an important forest tree both for wildlife and for people. Workshop will include ash tree identification, EAB biology, management strategies, and how to report EAB sightings online. For more information and to register for the program contact Molly Farrell at (305) 482-2479 or molly.farrell@parks.ny.gov.

Friday, July 15, 12 – 4 pm, *Finger Lakes Invasive Species*, Allan H. Treman State Park

Staff from the Friends of Recreation, Conservation and Environmental Stewardship Invasive Species Management Stewards will have samples of common invasive species of the Finger Lakes region and handouts on how to prevent the spread of invasive species.



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Friday, July 15, 1 – 2 pm, *Bad Bugs*, Allegany State Park

Learn about a really bad bug, emerald ash borer and what it is doing to our trees. Learn more by calling (716) 354-9101. Meet at Macintosh Cabin 4, Red House Area.

Friday, July 15, 2 pm *Helping Our Hemlocks* at Letchworth State Park

The program starts at the Humphrey Nature Center and walks about ½ mile to a stand of hemlocks to discuss hemlock woolly adelgid. It will last about an hour and a half. Learn more by calling the Humphrey Nature Center at (585) 493-3680.

Saturday, July 16, 8:30 – 11:30 am Caumsett State Park Invasive Removal Morning
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Saturday, July 16, 10 am to noon, *Saturday Stroll* at the Clay Pit Ponds Nature Center, Clay Pit Ponds State Park

Take a walk through the forest at Clay Pit Ponds State Park and learn about invasive species. Learn more by calling the Clay Pit Ponds State Park Nature Center at (718) 605-3970 ext 201.

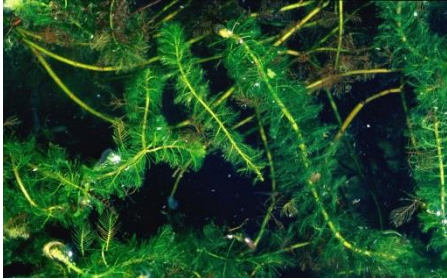
Saturday, July 16, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm: *New York Invasive Species Awareness Week at Sam's Point*, Minnewaska State Park Preserve, Sam's Point Area

From July 10-16, New York is celebrating its third annual Invasive Species Awareness Week. What is an invasive species? What do they look like? What harm do they cause? Spend the afternoon with Ranger Polinsky to learn all about common local invasive species, and what you can do to help keep them out of the Park Preserve and your yards! This program may include a hike of up to three miles. All children must be



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accompanied by a parent or legal guardian over the age of 18. This program is being offered at the Sam's Point Area in Cragmoor. Call Sam's Point at (845) 647-7989 to register. Registration is required.



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