



Monmouth County Park System



Free programs for registered campers at Turkey Swamp Park Campground

All campers must pre-register at the campground office as spaces are limited!

Hobo Happening

(ages 4 and up, under 18 with adult)

Get a hobo name, learn about their signs, meet Fiddlefoot Jake and enjoy a snack around the campfire while he spins yarns of his time on the road.

Meet at the Shelter Building
Sat, Jun 4 7:30-9:00 PM

Snakes & Turtles

(all ages)

Live specimens are a favorite attraction in these programs that focus on the indigenous species of Monmouth County. Join us for one or both programs!

Meet at the Council Ring
Sun, Jun 5 Snakes 11:00 AM-12:00 PM
Turtles 1:00 PM-2:00 PM

Campfire Family Challenge

(all ages)

Parent/child pairs will complete an adventure course with short distances between challenges. Tasks will include canoeing, puzzles, problem solving, and simple sport challenges. At the end of the evening, relax by the campfire as we roast marshmallows.

Meet at the Shelter Building
Sat, Jun 11 7:30-9:00 PM

Campground Critters

(all ages, under 18 with adult)

Every campground attracts critters from the surrounding forest. Join a Park System Naturalist around the fire ring to discuss what kind of animals might wander into camp and how to safely enjoy these intriguing and inquisitive creatures. End the evening with a classic campfire treat.

Meet at the Council Ring
Sat, Jun 18 7:00-9:00 PM

Pond Study

(ages 5 and up, under 18 with adult)

Explore the lake and discover the tiny critters that live in this aquatic habitat. Please wear old sneakers or water shoes and be prepared to get wet!

Meet at the Shelter Building
Sun, Jun 19 9:30-11:00 AM

Turkey Swamp Canoe, Kayak, Campfire,

Music and S'More

(ages 4 and up, under 18 with adult)

Bring friends or family for an evening of adventure. Program includes a sunset paddle followed by an old-fashioned campfire, including s'mores and fireside music. Bring your flashlight!

Meet at the Shelter Building
Sat, Jun 25 7:00-9:30 PM (approx)

S'more Please!

(all ages, under 18 with adult)

Gather your family and join us for an evening of fun activities and stories around the campfire. Top off the night with a classic campfire treat.

Meet at the Council Ring
Sat, Jul 9 7:00-8:30 PM

Family Time: Table Sports Tourney

(all ages)

Join us for some tournament air hockey, nok hockey and foosball. Afterwards, enjoy a campfire and some s'mores. Don't forget to bring your flashlight!

Meet at the Shelter Building
Sat, Jul 16 6:00-8:30 PM

Lunas & Other Moths

(all ages)

Come learn the difference between moths and butterflies and discover the species that visit our special moth attracting lights.

Meet at the Council Ring
Fri, Jul 22 8:00-9:00 PM

Christmas in July

(all ages)

Need a little Christmas? Join us for a fireside celebration, ornaments, cookies and caroling.

Meet at the Shelter Building
Sat, Jul 23 7:00-9:00 PM

Horseless Horse Show and Story Time

(ages 6-8, with adult)

Have you ever pretended to be a horse or wondered what it would be like to go to a horse show? Pretend to be a horse and see if you can get through an obstacle course on your own two feet. Then gather around the campfire to enjoy horsey treats while listening to a story about going to a horse show.

Meet at the Shelter Building
Sat, Aug 6 5:00-7:00 PM

Musical Mayhem

(all ages)

We will make musical instruments out of recycled items, then have a jam session around the campfire.

Meet at the Shelter Building
Sat, Aug 13 7:00-9:00 PM

Jersey Devil Hunt and Campfire

(all ages)

Join us for an annual tradition of Jersey Devil Hunting. We'll begin with a brief New Jersey folklore discussion and follow it up with a night walk (around one mile) with our favorite legend in mind. Bring a flashlight and a friend!

Meet at the Shelter Building
Sat, Aug 20 8:00-9:30 PM


Going Batty at Turkey Swamp Park

(all ages, under 18 with adult)


Join us under the stars as we learn about the amazing acro-BATS of the night sky. Program includes a multimedia presentation about bats followed by s'mores around a campfire where a Naturalist will be available to answer all your batty questions. Stick around after the program for a free mist netting demonstration where you may get to meet a live local bat!

Meet at the Council Ring
Sat, Aug 27 7:30-9:00 PM

In case of inclement weather, program will be held in the Shelter Building and the mist netting demonstration will be canceled.



37th Annual Monmouth County Fair
The Original Monmouth County Agricultural Fair
East Freehold Showgrounds, Kozloski Road, Freehold
July 27, 28, 29, 30 & 31



4-H Events • Animal Shows & Exhibits • Rides & Amusements • Free Stage Entertainment
Lumberjack Show • Racing Pigs • Kids Races • Home & Garden Competition

Admission \$7 • Ages 12 & under admitted Free • Free Parking

* Programs may be canceled due to inclement weather. Please check with the campground office one hour prior to program start.



June 2011

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| 5 11 AM Snakes 1 PM Turtles | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 7:30 PM Campfire Family Challenge |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 7:00 PM Campground Critters |
| 19 9:30 AM Pond Study | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 7:00 PM Canoe, Kayak Campfire, Music & S'More |
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July 2011

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| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 8:00 PM Lunas & Other Moths | 23 7:00 PM Christmas in July |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 Monmouth County Fair 5 -11 PM | 28 Monmouth County Fair 5 -11 PM | 29 Monmouth County Fair 5 -11 PM | 30 Monmouth County Fair 11 AM -11 PM |
| 31 Monmouth County Fair 11 AM - 6 PM | | | | | | |

August 2011

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