

Butterfly, Moth, Dragonfly & Wildflower Walks in Berks Co., Pennsylvania - 2022

(These walks will follow all regulations applicable on the respective dates. Please check the web sites below before each event.) All walks are free. (Updated: Oct. 22, 2021)

These walks are sponsored by the Mengel Natural History Society and the Baird Ornithological Club.

Location specific checklists are handed out at most walks so you can record what you see.

All levels of interest are welcome: children, adults of all ages, novices and advanced.

We will watch for butterflies and caterpillar host plants, and use viewing jars so you can get a close look. We have extra nets for use by all (adults & children) in our capture and release. Except for April, there will be caterpillars brought to see and (usually) to give to attendees to rear to adult butterflies. Bring a camera to record what you see and binoculars as well if you have them.

April 30, 2022 Saturday 10 AM

Neversink Mountain - Butterflies ,Birds and Botany. Meet at S.10th and South Street Reading. Park on South Street. Some butterflies fly only in early spring and this is one of the few County locations to see them. Leaders: Karl Gardner, 610-987-3281 and Ryan Woolwine, 610-777-2333. -- (56 species recorded for this location.)

June 11, 2022 Saturday 10 AM

Butterfly Identification Walk at Green Hills Preserve (550 Gunhart Rd. Mohnton, PA 19540) Take PA-10 south to PA-568. Turn right (west) for 1/2 mile to Gunhart Rd. Turn right. Park on right in about 1/4 mile. Leaders: Karl Gardner 610-987-3281 and Ryan Woolwine 610-777-2333. -- (40 species recorded for this location.)

June 18, 2022 Saturday 8:30 PM to ??

"Moth Night" at Nolde Environmental Education Center. Jim Eckert will present "Introduction to Moths" in McConnell Hall at 8:30 PM followed by walk. Bring flashlight. Meet at main parking lot. Leaders: Jim Eckert 610-401-1695, Ryan Woolwine 610-777-2333, and Karl Gardner. All welcome. We see 50-100 species on these nights.

July 16, 2022 Saturday 10 AM

Wildflowers and Pollinators at Union Meadows West, Route 724 (East Main St., Birdsboro) Turn opposite St. Michael's Cemetery and park in the ball field lot. Leader: Mike Slater 610-775-3757. Coordinator: Linda Ingram.

July 23, 2022 Saturday 10 AM

Butterfly Identification Walk at Blue Marsh Lake. Meet at the Blue Marsh Visitor's Center off Palisades Drive. Leaders Karl Gardner 610-987-3281 and Ryan Woolwine 610-777-2333. (48 species)

August 6, 2022 Saturday 10 AM

Dragonflies/Damselflies (and Butterflies) - Bartram Trail/Kernsville Dam. Follow PA-61 north, right on Jetson Dr (across from Cabelas), right on Industrial Dr, left on Kernsville Dam Rd. The parking area is on the right. (25 Kernsville Dam Rd.) Leaders: Mike Slater 610-775-3757 and Rudy Keller -- (38 dragonflies and damselflies plus many butterflies recorded for this location.)

August 20, 2022 Saturday 10 AM

Butterfly ID Walk at Angelica Park Take PA-10 south from Lancaster Avenue 1-1/4 miles. The park entrance road is on the right at the big masonry sign for Alvernia University. Turn right and park at the first parking area on the right. Leaders: Karl Gardner 610-987-3281 and Ryan Woolwine 610-777-2333. (32 species recorded for this location.)

This page available at: www.berkscountynature.org/bwalks2022.pdf.

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Baird Ornithological Club activities including many bird walks at: www.bairdornithological.club
Mengel Natural History Society activities at: www.berkscountynature.org/pagemengel.html