january 2018 @ Fresh Pond Reservtion all events are free & open to the public!

Sunday
December 31st
Noon to 1pm

Last Day Walk

Meets at the Ranger Station(under the clock tower), 250 Fresh Pond Parkway

Looking for an invigorating opportunity to get outside for the New Year? Join us for a guided 2.25-mile easy walk around the water that Cambridge residents will soon be drinking in a few short days. We'll observe where the natural and human worlds overlap. After the walk, warm up with some hot chocolate inside the building. For questions or clarifications contact: tpuopolo@cambridgeMA.gov

Monday
January 1st
10am to Noon

New Year's Day Bird Walk

Meeting place given upon registration

Start the New Year right and take part in an annual tradition by going on a bird walk at Fresh Pond! We will use a telescope to get close-up looks at waterfowl on the Pond and binoculars to identify the over-wintering songbirds in the trees and in the Lusitania Wetland Meadow. Led by Nancy Guppy. Hats, gloves, and warm boots are essential. Beginners are welcome, as are children with an adult. We will lend you binoculars and show you how to use them. To register and for parking and meeting information, email Catherine Pedemonti at friendsoffreshpond@yahoo.com

Friday Jamuary 5th 10am to 11am

Winter Nature Storytime with the Cambridge Public Library

Meets at Country Kitchen [lower level], Neville Place, 650 Concord Ave.

Join us on the first Friday of each month this winter as we welcome Cambridge Public Library's children's librarian Margaret Macri for nature story time at Fresh Pond! We will read about winter and what humans and wildlife do during this time. Bring warm clothes and go for a winter walk after story time is over! Please feel free to contact Catherine Pedemonti at friendsoffreshpond@yahoo.com to RSVP or with any questions.

Friday January 5th 10:30am to 11:30am

Seasonal Walkabout @ Lusitania Wet Meadow

Meets at the "meeting rocks" [where the meadow meets the main trail]

Come out for a seasonal walkabout with Ranger Jean at the Lusitania Wet Meadow. We will monitor wildlife by sign, track or presence, and make note of weather, state of plants, condition of water and other abiotic resources. You can help chart the seasonal changes of some of our most active wildlife spots, or simply come to enjoy the walk. Come dressed to be outdoors for the hour. People of all abilities and knowledge levels welcome. Service dogs only please. To RSVP, please contact Ranger Jean 508-562-7605 or email jrogers@cambridgeMA.gov

Sunday January 7th 1pm to 3pm

Fresh Pond Evergreen Workshop

Meets at the Ranger Station (under the clock tower), 250 Fresh Pond Parkway

Join Chief Ranger Jean Rogers to match samples of evergreens with living specimens on the Reservation and to create a map for further study. Come inside to use keys and photos to identify them. Learn how these trees differ from oaks and maples, which shed their leaves and go dormant. To register, contact jrogers@cambridgeMA.gov for location and for instructions if the weather is stormy.

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Sunday January 14th Spm to 5pm

Owl Prowl

Meets at the Ranger Station (under the clock tower), 250 Fresh Pond Parkway

Have you ever heard an owl before? After learning all about owls inside, we'll embark on a moderate walk (up to 2 miles) to look and listen for the signs of owls. We will explore their role in the ecosystem as well as in human culture. Owls are beautiful and majestic, but also wild; there is no guarantee of a sighting. Open to all audiences. For directions to the Ranger Station or any other questions, email tpuopolo@cambridgeMA.gov

Wednesday
January 17th
Noon to 1pm

Lunchbreak Fresh Air Walk

Meets at the Ranger Station (under the clock tower), 250 Fresh Pond Parkway

Start off your new year's resolution on the right foot with a mid-day walk. This casual walk, led by Ranger Tim, will encompass the Pond and take an informal look at each month in nature. Come alone or bring your co-workers! Rain or shine. Questions? Contact: tpuopolo@cambridgeMA.gov

Saturday January 20th 1pm to 2:30pm

A Fresh Look at Water: Watershed Dynamics in Winter

Meets at the Maynard Ecology Center, Neville Place, 650 Concord Ave.

This month's look at water: what's going on with watershed in the winter? It's more complex than you learned in school. Come update your water awareness with other adults in a fun activity-based program led by your watershed rangers, Jean and Tim. For directions to the Maynard Ecology Center or to RSVP, please contact Ranger Jean 508-562-7605 or email irogers@cambridgeMA.gov

Sunday January 21st 10am to 11am

Animal Detectives: Owls

Meets at the Ranger Station (under the clock tower), 250 Fresh Pond Parkway

January's spotlight is on the owl. Come see what it takes to be an owl as we explore what they do and how they act. This family program is best suited for kids between 4 and 12. Accompanying adult must be present, service dogs only please, and dress warmly as this is an outdoor program. Large groups please check-in with Ranger Tim at tpuopolo@cambridgeMA.gov prior to Friday, January 19th.

Monday January 29th 6pm to 7:30pm

Monday Night Movie Night: "The Big Year" [PG]

Meets at the Ranger Station (under the clock tower), 250 Fresh Pond Parkway

What's better than a free movie? Free popcorn! In birding, a Big Year is seeing or hearing as many different species of bird as possible in one calendar year. Three men (Steve Martin, Jack Black, Owen Wilson) pursue the Birder of the Year title and to beat the record of 732 species.

[Runtime: 100 minutes, Rated PG] Contact: tpuopolo@cambridgeMA.gov for more information

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Questions?

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