



Programs and Events

Summer 2015

Daily Programs

All of our programs and events are free and open to public. Group reservations are required for groups of 5 or more, Monday through Friday. No group reservations are needed on the weekend. Group reservations must be made at least 2 weeks in advance. Programs can be canceled at anytime without prior notice.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:00 a.m.	Meet the Cow	Meet the Cow	Meet the Cow	Meet the Cow or Farm Morning	Meet the Cow	Meet the Cow	Meet the Cow
11:00 a.m.	Wagon Ride	Wagon Ride	Wagon Ride	Wagon Ride or Farm Morning	Wagon Ride	Wagon Ride	Wagon Ride
11:30 a.m.	Chicken & Egg	Chicken & Egg	Chicken & Egg	Chicken & Egg or Farm Morning	Chicken & Egg	Chicken & Egg	Chicken & Egg
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	The Park's Past						The Park's Past

Meet the Cow

Limit: 50 participants

Help the park ranger milk the cow and learn about cattle and the dairy products they produce.

Farm Morning

Limit: 100 participants

Visit different areas around the farm and experience farm life with hands-on activities.

Chicken and Egg

Limit: 30 participants

Learn about chickens and their life on the farm. Help with the chores and feed the chickens.

Wagon Ride

Limit: 50 Participants

Take a scenic ride through the park and learn about the environment and the park's history.

The Park's Past: An Invitation to Learn the Story of Oxon Cove Park

Limit: No limit

Stop by Mount Welby from 2:00 p.m to 3:30 p.m. and explore the park's past and find out some of the fascinating stories that have occurred on the park property over time.

Program notes:

Wednesdays: Farm Morning is scheduled on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month instead of our regular programs, Meet the Cow, Wagon Ride, and Chicken & Egg.

Special Events

May

Migratory Bird Day at the Farm

Saturday, May 09, 2015

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

All ages

Come out and help celebrate one of nature's most important events, bird migration. There will be lots of activities for everyone: bird walks, demonstrations, crafts, tractor rides, a guest appearance by Woodsy the Owl, and much more.

Reading Stories with Ranger Steph

Terrific Tractors

Sunday, May 17, 2015

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. and

Monday, May 18, 2015

09:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Ages 0 to 4, and accompanying adults

Come listen to stories, sing songs, and enjoy other activities with ranger Steph. This month, get it in gear and learn how a farmer's tractor helps plow fields, harvest crops, remove snow, cut grass, and pull heavy loads.

Sheep Shearing

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

All ages

Come and watch our flock of sheep get their annual hair cuts and learn how sheep's hair transforms into a cozy woolen sweater.

June

June is National Dairy Month and we are celebrating all of the reasons why dairy makes sense. Not only do dairy foods taste great, but they are good for your health and your budget. Plus, they're produced by dairy farmers with a longstanding commitment to sustainability. So raise your milk glass to toast Dairy Month and join in the celebration by attending our special June programs.

Butter Up!

Sunday, June 21, 2015

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

All ages

Visit Mount Welby, the 19th century home of the Debutts, and learn how the women-folk during this time churned milk into butter. We will also take a look at some of the favorite recipes of Mrs. Debutts and see how this delicious dairy product was more than a spread for biscuits.

Dairy Day

Wednesday, June 24, 2015

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Learn how ice cream, butter, cheese, and other dairy products are made. Kids can participate in hands on demonstrations that will show how we turn milk into the foods we enjoy, and their work will be rewarded with a free ice cream treat!



On-going Summer Programs

Junior Ranger Program

Earn a badge and patch and learn what it takes to become a Junior Ranger.

Scout to Ranger Program

Scouts can earn a stewardship patch while engaging in park activities.

Saturday Afternoon

Garden Work

Join us every Saturday from 1pm to 4pm to volunteer to help maintain the Demonstration Garden at Oxon Hill Farm. Enjoy fresh air, exercise, learning more about gardening, and contributing to your community. Expert gardeners and first timers that just want to learn are both welcome. We've got the tools and the supplies, we just need you. Youth under 16 years old should be accompanied by an adult.

Give us a call, 301-839-0503, or visit us online at www.nps.gov to find out more.

Did You Know?

The National Park Service will be 100 years old in 2016. To celebrate, we invite you to find your park and share your story of discovery of national parks and programs in your own backyard!

