



WATOGA
STATE PARK

(JN) WV State Parks Junior Naturalist Program
Complete the first level Junior Naturalist Book, and
attend two additional Naturalist-led programs.

Wednesday September 23rd

11:00am Nature Hike Arboretum (Brooks Memorial Arboretum)

Join us for a 4.5 mile loop hike around
Fred. E Brooks Arboretum

**Please wear appropriate hiking shoes,
Walking Stick, And Water.**

Friday September 25th

3:00pm - Black Bear Hike on Bear Pen Trail Nature Center/Activities

Join us on a short hike on Bear Pen Trail as we
discuss West Virginia's State Animal the Black Bear.
(JN)

6:00pm - Watoga Park History - CCC Civilian Conservation Corp Museum

Join us to learn about the history of Watoga State
Park
and the role played by the CCC.
Explore the new CCC Museum. (JN)

8:00pm Secrets of Watoga's Dark Sky Forest (Fireflies)

Nature Center/Activities Building

Learn about the nocturnal creatures hiding in
Watoga's forests, then join us for a short Nature Hike.
We will look for glowing firefly larvae. **NO PETS
are allowed at night time activities at Watoga (JN)**

Saturday September 26th **National Public Lands Day**

9:00am - Droop Mt. Park Beautification Litter Pickup

Join us at the Droop Mountain Battlefield State Park
office at 9am. We will be picking up litter along
roadways and trails. Thanks for helping us **clean up**
West Virginia's first state park. Make sure to also
mark your calendars for the Droop Mountain Battle
Reenactment Weekend, October 10th & 11th.

1:00pm Beartown State Park Naturalist Hike

Meet at Beartown State Park for this Naturalist led
hike. We will walk along the ½ mile long boardwalk
at this amazing public land. We will discuss Geology,
Hemlock Trees, Rock Cap Ferns and more!!!

3:00pm Watoga State Park LIVE Owl Show ~ Watoga Nature Center Three Rivers Avian

LIVE Owl Show & Dark Sky Event. Learn about
these stealthy night hunters and their need for
dark skies. Three Rivers Avian will be here with
their LIVE Great Horned, Barn & Screech Owls!
Watoga is one of several dozen National Public
Lands that are designated International Dark Sky
Parks. Learn about these special parks and things
you can do in your own community to promote
dark sky principles.

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