

BioBlitz Events

Editor's Intro: These BioBlitz events are part of a larger effort by the Newton Conservators to document, and raise awareness about the great diversity of plants and animals that inhabit Newton's open spaces. At the beginning of the event, we will give a brief tutorial on the iNaturalist app, which we use to document species and as an identification aid.

Edmands Park BioBlitz, Sunday June 23, 3-5 PM

Come explore the plants of Edmands Park and improve your plant identification skills. For parking, enter at North end near the old field habitat <https://maps.app.goo.gl/KaDSRYGnynNHqbra7>. Leader Zach Schein. For questions, email Jonathan Regosin: jonathan.regosin@gmail.com.

Flowed Meadow and Auburndale Park BioBlitz, Sunday August 4, 3-5 PM

Come explore the plants of Flowed Meadow/Auburndale Park and improve your plant identification skills. Directions and parking (<https://maps.app.goo.gl/xeqPpaZPgTvQYH3C6>). Leader Zach Schein. For questions, email Jonathan Regosin: jonathan.regosin@gmail.com.

Crystal Lake BioBlitz, Sunday August 11, 3:30-5 PM at Levingston Cove

Learn about the fish, insects, and other invertebrates that inhabit Crystal Lake. We will use dip nets and other techniques to capture and identify small fish and invertebrates. This child-friendly event is appropriate for adults and children accompanied by an adult. Co-sponsors Newton Conservators and Crystal Lake Conservancy. For questions, email trip leader Jonathan Regosin: jonathan.regosin@gmail.com.

Get Involved with the Conservators - Volunteers Needed

The Newton Conservators needs volunteers to help with various activities, including annual monitoring of the conservation restrictions we hold on City of Newton properties, pulling invasive plants, updating our inventory of plants and animals on Newton's public lands, and collecting new signups from interested Newton residents on our walks or at community events such as Village Days, the Harvest Fest, and others. You'll work alongside and be trained as needed by experienced Conservators' board members. If you're willing to volunteer for a couple hours, it would be most appreciated. To learn more about volunteer opportunities and contact us about them, go to newtonconservators.org/volunteer/

Thank you.

