



Remembering Bill Byrne

MassWildlife lost a great friend and advocate when Photographer Bill Byrne passed away unexpectedly this May. For over 40 years, Bill opened a window to the wilds of Massachusetts with his images. Bill will be sorely missed, but his presence will be felt for years through his enduring photography.

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Celebrate Fishing and Boating Week

June 2-10 marks National Fishing and Boating Week, a national celebration to highlight the excitement and fun of recreational fishing and boating. Celebrate at one of the many fishing and boating events scheduled!

[Learn more...](#)



Endangered turtle release

On June 1, volunteers helped MassWildlife release endangered northern red-bellied cooters back into the wild at Burrage Pond WMA in Hanson. These turtles were raised in captivity over the winter to accelerate their growth and improve their chances of survival.

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MassWildlife stocked 500,000 trout this spring. [Find out where to catch them.](#)

Brown trout tagging

MassWildlife has launched a new project to study brown trout in the upper Deerfield River. This spring, all 1,000 hatchery-raised brown trout in the upper Deerfield River were marked by clipping their adipose fins.

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Report wild turkey sightings

Help out with MassWildlife's Annual Turkey Brood Survey by reporting sightings of hens, poult, and males (both juvenile and adult) from June 1 through August 31.

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Women in the Outdoors event

WITO offers over 30 interactive seminars and activities for women aged 13+ including trap-shooting, wilderness survival, fishing, birdwatching, and more! The 2018 WITO will be on July 28 in Princeton.

[Register now...](#)



Help bats by reporting colonies. [Learn more.](#)

Linking landscapes for wildlife

Roadways cross much of the Massachusetts landscape, impacting people and wildlife. To improve safety and conserve wildlife, MassWildlife and MassDOT have partnered on a Linking Landscapes initiative. You can help by reporting wildlife crossings and roadkill.

[Learn more...](#)



Newton North HS wins Envirothon

Over 200 high school students from nearly 30 communities competed in the 31st annual Massachusetts Envirothon. Top honors went to Newton North High School. Students were tested in wildlife, water, soils, forests, and agriculture.

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Do you know what to do if you find a fawn or young bird? [Learn more.](#)

Upcoming events

June 5: Family Fishing Clinic, Wakefield

June 6: Family Fishing Clinic, Canton

June 7: Family Fishing Clinic, Swansea

June 7: Lakeside Kids Fishing and Boating Event, Webster

June 9: Get Hooked Youth Fishing Tournament, Newburyport

June 9: Adult Learn to Fly Fish Clinic, Marlborough

June 10: Kids' Annual Fishing Derby, Foxborough

June 10: Horn Pond Family Fishing Festival, Woburn

June 12: Adult Learn to Fish Clinic, Westborough

June 13: Fisheries and Wildlife Board Meeting, Westborough

June 13: Family Fishing Clinic, Brewster

June 14: Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Advisory Committee Meeting, Westborough

June 14: Family Fishing Clinic, Rochester

June 16: Spot Pond Family Fishing Festival, Stoneham

June 16: Great Meadows Family Fishing Festival, Sudbury

June 30: Jamaica Pond Family Fishing Derby, Boston

[See Calendar of Events...](#)

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Who we are

The Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MassWildlife) is the state agency responsible for the conservation of all freshwater fish and wildlife in the Commonwealth, including endangered species. MassWildlife restores, protects, and manages land for wildlife to thrive and for people to enjoy.

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