

Suggested events from the Environmental Control Commission

Here are some outdoor adventures close to home, where you can also learn about our area's history and natural environment, along with a few events related to sustainability:

[Truckin' Into Spring](#) - Free!

In partnership with Go Ape Chicago, enjoy the treetop nets, a nature obstacle course and more. Food trucks and vendors onsite.'

Sunday, March 23

[Bemis Woods-South](#), Ogden Avenue west of Wolf Road

11a.m. to 2 p.m.

[Spring Break Fest](#) - Free!

Youth and families, enjoy time out of school! Try archery, build and play with natural materials, learn orienteering, paint a birdhouse and more.

Wednesday, March 26

[Thatcher Woods](#), Chicago Avenue west of Thatcher Avenue

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

[Camping 101](#) - Free!

Join a workshop to learn basic camping skills like how to set up a tent, build a fire, dress for the weather and more!.

Thursday, March 27

[Camp Bullfrog Lake](#)

5:30 p.m.

[Be a Better Birder: Birding and Technology](#) - Free but registration required.

Learn about technology that can be used to enhance your birding experience.

Thursday, March 27

Online - [register here](#)

6 p.m.

[Woodcock Walk](#) - Free!

Witness the amazing spring courtship flight of the male woodcock at Wolf Road Prairie. Led by John Elliott of the Chicago Bird Alliance.

Friday, March 28

[Wolf Road Prairie Nature Preserve](#), 31st Street west of Wolf Road

7 p.m.

[Day Hiking Leadership Training](#) - Free, but registration required.

This two-part training for teachers, group leaders and youth educators teaches the skills and resources needed to lead safe and fun outdoor experiences. You must complete an online portion two weeks prior to this in-person session.

To register, email experience.camping@cookcountyil.gov with your name and organization.

Saturday, March 29

[Bemis Woods - North](#), Wolf Road south of 31st Street

11:30 a.m.

[“Worst Case Scenario Hike”](#) - Free, but registration is required.

Learn day hiking safety, packing tips and more on a short hike. Ages 13 & up.

Sunday, March 30

[Trailside Museum of Natural History](#), 738 Thatcher Ave., River Forest

1 p.m.