

NATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING DAY IN GEORGIA

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2018



Each day, millions of Americans are working to conserve and improve our natural resources. They are America's hunters and anglers. September 22, 2018 is National Hunting and Fishing Day. Sportsmen have contributed millions of dollars to the Federal Aid in Sport Fish and Wildlife Restoration Programs. Together with hunting and fishing license fees, these federal aid programs have funded wildlife and sport fish conservation, habitat acquisition and outdoor recreation opportunities both in Georgia and throughout the country. NHF Day events provide opportunities for everyone to learn more about outdoor skills and activities.



FREE FISHING DAY: In honor of National Hunting and Fishing Day, Georgia residents do not need a fishing license or a trout license to fish on any public waters in the state including lakes, streams, ponds and Public Fishing Areas.

<http://georgiawildlife.com/get-involved/nhfday>

All listed events will take place on Saturday, September 22, 2018 and are FREE and open to the public, unless otherwise noted.

Region	Event	Contact	Phone	Time	Location	Additional Information
Northwest Georgia	Outdoor Adventure Day	Lisa Bohannon	706.295.6041	9 am – 3 pm	James H “Sloppy” Floyd State Park http://gastateparks.org/JamesHFloyd	Open to all ages. Activities include: fishing, archery, BB range, canoeing, live animal displays, snake show and climbing wall. Hot dogs and drinks provided on a first come, first serve basis. The event is FREE . However, there is a \$5 parking fee at State Parks.
Central Georgia	Kids Fishing Event	Paul Jones	706.845.4180	8 – 11 am	Big Lazer Public Fishing Area Special Event Pond http://georgiawildlife.com/big-lazer-creek-pfa	Take your kids fishing! This event is for kids age 15 and under. Participants will need to bring their own bait and fishing gear. Also, bring a cooler because you can keep your catch. We will have a prize drawing after event.
Central Georgia	Kids Fishing Event	Jamie Dowd	404.576.1893	8 am – 12 Noon	Marben Public Fishing Area-Clubhouse Pond at Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center http://georgiawildlife.com/marben-pfa	Kids age 15 and under are invited to come hook a catfish during a fun day of fishing at Clubhouse Pond. Catfish creel limits apply. Fishing is

						for kids only (children 14 and under must be supervised by an adult). Fishing gear will be available to those who need it.
Central Georgia	Kids Fishing Event	Jeanie Carnell	706.595.1619	8 am – 12 Noon	McDuffie Public Fishing Area http://georgiawildlife.com/mcduffie-pfa	Come join us for some outdoor fun! Kids fishing is for youth age 15 and under (an adult must accompany children). For further fun, kids can “take a shot” at the archery shooting booth.
South Central Georgia	Outdoor Adventure Day/JAKES Day	Dean Barber or WRD Waycross Fisheries Office	229.533.4792 or 912.285.6094	7:30 am – 12 Noon (Fishing Activities); 9 am JAKES Day Registration 10 am – 2 pm JAKES Day Events	Paradise Public Fishing Area http://georgiawildlife.com/paradise-pfa	Bring the kids for a day of outdoor family fun! Fishing (fishing activities begin at 7:30 am): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult/child fishing event at Lakes Cup, Saucer (kids should be age 15 and under). • Instructional bass fishing excursions for teens in the kids catch and release bass pond (call to reserve a time slot - 912.285.6094). <p>JAKES Day events include: Southeastern Wildlife Encounters Show with Tyler Lott, BB gun-skeet shooting ranges, fishing simulator, archery range, ABAC Forestry Wildlife display, casting contest, bouncy houses, and K-9 search and rescue demos.</p> <p>There will be a free lunch provided by the National Wild Turkey Federation and a prize drawing at 2 pm.</p>

South Central Georgia	Kids Fishing Event	Jimmy Miller	478.296.6192	7 am – 11 am	Hugh M. Gillis Public Fishing Area http://georgiawildlife.com/hugh-m-gillis-pfa	This event is for youth age 15 and under. An adult must accompany children. Come out and do some fishing with us!
South Central Georgia	Kids Fishing Event	Michael Fulghum	478.988.6715	9 am – 5 pm	Go Fish Education Center https://gofisheducationcenter.com/	<p>The Go Fish Education Center will be stocking bluegill for our National Hunting and Fishing Day-Family Harvest. This free event will be open to families from 9 am to 5 pm on Saturday Sept. 22nd, 2018. Guests will be able to harvest 25 bluegill per person from our stocked fishing pond. Families can register for a prize basket of fishing goodies! We do ask that you bring your own cooler and ice for harvested fish. Tackle and bait are provided. Personal tackle is allowed if preferred. Live bait fish not allowed. Children 12 years of age and younger must be accompanied by an adult.</p> <p><i>SPECIAL NOTE: The Go Fish Education Center is offering FREE admission today!</i></p>
Southeast Georgia	Kids and Adults Fishing Event	Steve Mincey	912.346.9269	7 am – 11 am	Evans County Public Fishing Area https://georgiawildlife.com/evans-county-pfa	This event is open for all ages! Hot dogs and drinks provided.
Coastal Georgia	Outdoor Adventure Day	Frank Buchanon	912.346.9741	8 am – 12 pm	Richmond Hill Hatchery https://georgiawildlife.com/richmond-hill-fish-hatchery	This event is open to all ages. Activities include fishing, archery, and kayaking. Hot dogs and drinks provided.