

CITIZEN SCIENCE MONTH CHALLENGE RULES

Citizen Science Month Challenge, Apr. 1 - Apr. 30. Erie MetroParks is challenging you to contribute to citizen science within the Erie MetroParks. Use iNaturalist to record as many wildlife observations throughout the month. The person that submits the most observations will win a naturalist bundle, which includes a backpack, a pair of binoculars, and some wildlife guides. Three additional winners will be drawn randomly from all that register and submit at least five observations. Pre-registration begins March 18. The challenge begins April 1 and ends April 30. Erie MetroParks personnel and family-members are not eligible for prizes. Details will be provided upon signing up.

To win:

- Submit iNaturalist observations throughout the month of April.
 - It is free to register for an iNaturalist account!
- Person with the most observations will win a naturalist bundle.
- Three randomly selected people will also win a prize (minimum five observations).

Eligible observation criteria:

- Must contain a photograph or an audio recording.
- Must contain a date within the month of April 2024.
- Location coordinates must be within one of the following parks:
 - Birmingham School MetroPark, Castalia Quarry MetroPark, Community Foundation Preserve at Eagle Point, Edison Woods MetroPark, Hoffman Forest MetroPark, Huron River Path MetroPark & DuPont Marsh State Nature Preserve, Joseph A. Steinen Wildlife Area, Milan Towpath MetroPark, Osborn MetroPark, Putnam Extension, Putnam Marsh, The Coupling MetroPark, Thomas Williams MetroPark, Wakefield MetroPark, Wyandot MetroPark (incl. Barnes Addition).
 - Specific boundaries can be found on the Erie MetroParks iNaturalist Project: <https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/erie-metroparks?tab=about>
- Coordinates must not be hidden.
 - You can trust the Erie MetroParks iNaturalist Project with hidden coordinates by joining the project, selecting 'Your Membership', and then selecting 'Yes, for any of my observations'.
- Duplicate records will not be accepted.