



## Visit the Natural Resources Area at the Hartford Fairgrounds!

# 2026 Hartford Fair Schedule

| 8/9<br>Sunday                                     | 8/10<br>Monday                            | 8/11<br>Tuesday                            | 8/12<br>Wednesday                          | 8/13<br>Thursday                         | 8/14<br>Friday                           |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| 8:30am<br>Church Service                          | 11am-2pm<br>OSU Bug Mobile                | 11am-12:30pm<br>Make your own<br>duck call | 9am-12pm<br>Fishing<br>Competition         | 11am-12pm<br>Nature Detectives<br>w/ ONE | 9am-4pm<br>Licking County<br>Library Bus |
| 11am-2pm<br>Rain Barrel<br>Painting               | 11am-2pm<br>Licking County<br>Library Bus | 11am-2pm<br>Rain Barrel<br>Painting        | 11am-12:30pm<br>Make your own<br>duck call | 11am-2pm<br>Rain Barrel<br>Painting      | 11am-1pm<br>Open Fishing                 |
| 11am-3pm<br>Open Fishing                          | 12-2pm<br>Bug Face<br>Painting            | 12-1:30pm<br>Rubber Duck<br>Race           | 11am-2pm<br>Open Fishing                   | 11am-4pm<br>BB Gun Range                 | 11am-2pm<br>Nature Skill-a-<br>thon      |
| 12pm-2pm<br>Midwest<br>Falconry                   | 12-3:30pm<br>Paddling and<br>Archery      | 12-3:30pm<br>Paddling and<br>Archery       | 11am-2pm<br>Rain Barrel<br>Painting        | 12-3:30pm<br>Paddling and<br>Archery     | 11-2pm<br>Rain Barrel<br>Painting        |
| 3:30-4:30pm<br>Velvet Ice Cream<br>Eating Contest | 2-4pm<br>Bug Craft with<br>OCVN           | 1-3pm<br>Beautiful Bees w/<br>ECOBA        | 12-1:30pm<br>Rubber Duck<br>Race           | 12am-4pm<br>Licking Recycling<br>Craft   | 11am-4pm<br>BB Gun Range                 |
|                                                   |                                           | 2:30-4pm<br>Air Bee-N-Bees<br>Craft        | 1-3pm<br>Fish Fillet Demo                  | 1-2pm<br>Young Nature<br>Artists w/ ONE  | 12-4pm<br>FFA Challenge                  |
|                                                   |                                           |                                            | 1-3pm<br>Wetland Fun w/<br>Mad Scientist   |                                          | 2:30-4pm<br>The Garden for<br>All        |



For the week of August 9th through August 14th the Natural Resources Area at the Hartford Fair is going to be overflowing with tons of conservation fun! Whether you visit for competition, relaxation, or community we have it all. The schedule above shows all events and activities that will be occurring throughout the week.

We hope to see you there!

# [River Roundup is HERE](#)

[Registration](#) is now open for the 31st Annual River Roundup! The clean up will take place September 12th at 13 different sites.

## **Check out the locations:**

- Village of Hebron - SPECIAL DATE 9/5
- Dawes Arboretum
- Pataskala: South Fork
- Newark: North Fork at Everett Park
- Newark: Riverview Reserve (On Land)
- Newark: Riverview Reserve (canoe)
- Heath: South Fork
- Granville: Wildwood Park
- Hanover: Rocky Fork
- Buckeye Lake
- Newark: Ohio Street
- Johnstown
- Newark: Grove by the River

# LICKING COUNTY **RIVER ROUNDUP**



A big **THANK YOU** goes out to all sponsors we have who support clean rivers in Licking County!

## **The sponsor list includes:**

- Presenting: Shacklefords Disposal
- Platinum: Amazon Web Services
- Gold: V3 Companies LTD
- Silver: Matesich Distributing, MS Consultants
- Bronze: Energy COOP, North Valley Bank, Granville Kiwanis



## [Apply for the Conservation Mini-Grant Today.](#)

The Licking County Soil and Water wants to give back to the community.

Nonprofit organizations that are

passionate about conservation are eligible for a mini-grant to carry out on-the-ground conservation projects!

**Examples of grants awarded in 2025 include:**

- Native planting at the Village of Buckeye Lake
- A Community Garden at Family of Faith Community Church
- Pathway for Pollinators at Hopewell Commons Condominiums
- Native Flower Beds at the McKean Community Organization
- A Seed Library at Pataskala Public Library
- Pollinator Garden Plots at Newark's Second Presbyterian Church

If you are interested, please visit our webpage for more details on how to apply. The deadline to apply is September 25th, 2026.

If you have any questions on the program, please contact [BritneyMiller@LickingSWCD.com](mailto:BritneyMiller@LickingSWCD.com) or call [740-670-5330](tel:740-670-5330).

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## **Save the Date - October 15th Annual Meeting**



Has the Soil and Water Conservation District in Licking County made an impact in your personal or professional life? Make sure to keep an eye out for the invite to our Annual Meeting!

Join us for dinner, awards for the community, and celebration of conservation efforts in our county!

**Date:** October 15, 2026

**Time:** Reception is 5-5:30PM ; Dinner and Awards is 5:30-8pm

**Location:** The Grove by the River, 840 Hollander St, Newark, OH 43055

Registration details will be posted on our [webpage](#)!

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## [Join our Team - Stormwater Technician](#)

The Stormwater Team is currently looking for a new Stormwater Technician! This full time position will provide technical assistance and education for urbanized areas of Licking County. There will be a focus on the stormwater program and Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) requirements.



The application period will remain open until August 28th.

For more information on the job position or how to apply, visit our [careers page](#). If you have questions, please call [740-670-5330](tel:740-670-5330).

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## [Beware! Common Ohio Invasives](#)



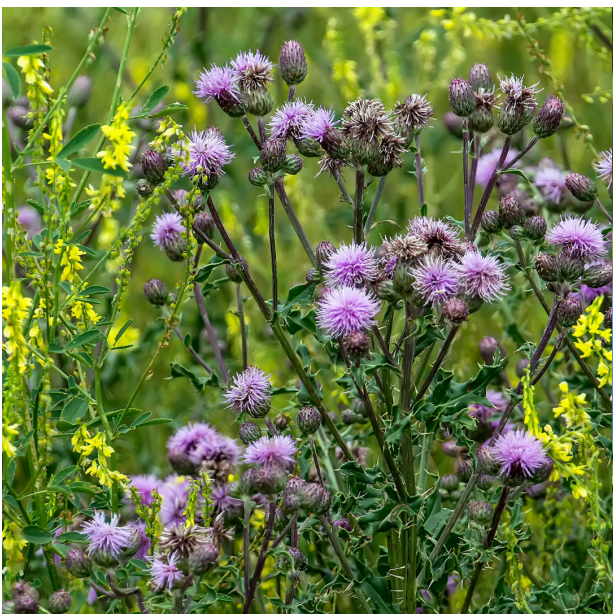
**Bush Honeysuckle**

**Treatment Methods:** Mow (May-Oct);  
Chemical treatment (Early spring, late  
fall)



**Yellow Groove Bamboo**

**Treatment Methods:** Mow on small  
amounts(Apr-Sep); Chemical treatment  
(Apr-Sep)



**Canada Thistle**

**Treatment Methods:** Mow (June-Oct);  
Chemical treatment (late spring, early  
fall)



**Cattails**

**Treatment Methods:** Mow (Apr-Sep);  
Chemical treatment (Late Summer-  
Early fall); Remove root system

## Important Dates

**Aug 7**      **Deadline to submit application form - Board of Supervisors**

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|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Aug 14</b>    | <b>River Roundup Sponsor Deadline*</b>                        |
| <b>Aug 20</b>    | <b>World Mosquito Day</b>                                     |
| <b>Aug 21</b>    | <b>River Roundup Registration Deadline (guarantee shirt)*</b> |
| <b>Aug 25</b>    | <b>National Park Service Day</b>                              |
| <b>Sep 4</b>     | <b>River Roundup Pre-Registration Deadline*</b>               |
| <b>Sep 7</b>     | <b>Labor Day - Office closed</b>                              |
| <b>Sep 8</b>     | <b>SWCD Board Meeting</b>                                     |
| <b>Sep 12</b>    | <b>River Roundup*</b>                                         |
| <b>Sep 14-18</b> | <b>Septic Smart Week</b>                                      |

\*Events require an RSVP

**[Visit our calendar for all upcoming events!](#)**

**[www.LickingSWCD.com](http://www.LickingSWCD.com)**

## **Licking County Soil & Water Conservation District**

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Mon - Fri 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

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