

**La Crosse River State Trail's
State Natural Area**

**Rockland Prairie Walks
2007 Schedule**



**Track seasonal
changes on remnant
prairies along the bike
trail.**

**All hikes begin in Rockland, WI
(near I-90 in eastern La Crosse County)
at the trail crossing on Commercial St.**

**Always on a Sunday.....
Prairie Walks on
La Crosse River State Trail's
Rockland Prairie**

With local naturalist/columnist Bob Lee

Learn about native wildflowers & grasses and hear anecdotes related to prairies & local history.

2007 scheduled walks:

April 29, Sun. Search for early bloomers such as Pasque Flower, Dwarf Buttercup and Lyre-leaved Rock Cress.

May 20, Sun. Downy Phlox, Hoary Pucoon, Columbine, Violets and Great Solomon's Seal are likely to be in bloom.

June 10, Sun. Search for Hairy Pucoon, Golden Alexanders, Spiderwort, Solomon's Plume, Roses and Lupines.

June 24, Sun. You're likely to encounter Prairie June Grass, Porcupine Grass, Penstemons, Tall Meadow-rue, Thimbleweed, Coreopsis, among others at this time.

July 15, Sun. Turk's-cap Lily, Leadplant, Bergamot, Gray-headed Coneflower and Missouri Goldenrod.

August 5, Sun. Species in bloom may include Spotted Cow-bane, Flowering Spurge, Tall Sunflower, and Naked Sunflower.

August 26, Sun. See Prairie Sunflower, Switchgrass, Big Bluestem, Cord Grass, and Joe Pyeweed.

September 16, Sun. Asters will dominate the scene. Bottle Gentian and Gray Goldenrod are usually in bloom at this time as well.

October 7, Sun. Little Bluestem, Sweet Everlasting, and Downy Gentian are among the plants you will see.



Meet at the trail crossing on Commercial St. (CTH "J") in Rockland, WI (eastern La Crosse Co.).

All walks begin at 1:30 p.m. Wear comfortable walking shoes and dress for the weather. A hat to block the sun is recommended. These are leisurely walks on level terrain. Please come and enjoy the afternoon along the trail! Questions? Call Wildcat Mountain State Park Work Unit at 608.337.4775 or Bob Lee 608.486.2154

Also....

On National Trails Day
Saturday, June 2,
Join Bob for a 10:00 a.m.
Walk on the trail near Sparta.
Meet at the Sparta Depot, 111
Milwaukee St. in Sparta.
Refreshments afterwards.
For more information call the
Sparta Area Chamber of
Commerce at 800.354.2453