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Dexter, Missouri - For the last several years, the Dexter Chapter of Ducks Unlimited and the Missouri Department of Conservation have held a Greenwing Event during late July at Otter Slough Conservation Area.

The 2013 event is this **Saturday**, **July 27** and begins at 7 am. This event is free and open to the public. They will meet in the large parking lot next to Cypress Lake.

Department of Conservation biologists are going to demonstrate electrofishing techniques in Cypress Lake. Everyone in attendance will have a front row seat while fisheries biologists run a shocking boat along the shoreline.

Wildlife biologists and Ducks Unlimited volunteers will be checking traps for mourning doves and wood ducks. Any ducks and doves trapped that morning will be banded and released.

They hope to capture enough birds to allow each youth to help band and release their own dove or duck. If you have attended past events, you know that trapping ducks can be unpredictable.

Our duck trapping success has ranged from one to fifty-two for this event.

They have caught mourning doves each year, but those numbers have also fluctuated. Regardless of trapping success, this will be an excellent opportunity to spend some quality family time in the outdoors and meet Conservation Department and Ducks Unlimited folks in person.

They have a couple other activities planned which are sure to be fun for everyone. The day's activities should be completed by 10:00 a.m. depending upon weather and trapping success.

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