

## **Easter at Hamilton Marsh**

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### **Conservation group hosts day of family fun**

**Hamilton Marsh was abuzz with activity Saturday as dozens visited the area for Friends of French Creek Conservation Society-sponsored Easter weekend activities.**

**Guided hikes were conducted by naturalist Gary Murdock, who spoke on the diverse fauna seen along the trail to the marsh.**

**Once there, visitors could grab a magnifying glass to view insect specimens set aside, with the option of joining biologist Hans Boerger who was collecting aquatic critters dockside.**

**“This is a particularly diverse spot,” said Boerger. “Every sweep of the net there’s half a dozen animals in it.**

**“The kids here getting wet and dirty, that’s half the fun.”**



**CRAIG URBANOSKI AND son Noah get down low for a closer look at the teeming life of the marsh. They were taking part in Easter activities at Hamilton Marsh on the weekend.**

*Fred Davies Photo*