

BLUEBIRDS AT LAPHAM PEAK, 2017

Cool rainy weather early in the spring delayed Bluebird nesting statewide. Tree swallows arrived and competed for the nestboxes. Consequently Bluebird fledging was a little down, with 82 Bluebirds produced from 28 boxes. 59 mosquito-eating Tree Swallows also fledged. Sandy Street, Karen DeBoer, and Yvonne Fort provided the regular monitoring and reporting necessary for successfully managing the four Bluebird trails.



PRAIRIE PLANTINGS, 2017



No new plantings were made this year.

INVASIVE PLANT CONTROL, 2017

After cutting and burning buckthorn and other invasive shrubs the past 24 years, we're reducing our work load. Yet, we hope to help out some with battling invasive weeds such as garlic mustard and spotted knapweed. Hopefully others will pick up the ball and run with it as well. Words cannot express the gratitude we feel for all the contributions of time, energy and finances that have been offered by volunteers and staff through the years.

Mike Fort

