

Jun 8, 2022



Dear Red Barn Preserve board, the Red Barn Preserve is a good breath of fresh air and a good place to go to for a field trip. Our sixth grade class went on a field trip to the Red Barn Preserve and it was a lot of fun. We got to walk the trails and see cool animals of all kinds as we enjoyed the outdoors.



Being at the Red Barn Preserve is extremely fun and relaxing, as I felt like there was nothing more to do but enjoy my time. We got to play volleyball and badminton in the field, which is nice because we get to have a lot of room for play.

Sincerely, your hiker and enjoyer, Jack

June 8, 2022

The Red Barn Preserve was fun. There was a lot of walking trails. Also we had a volleyball game. We also played kickball there. I loved all the wild life that was out to see. I also loved seeing the blue herons we have been researching about. We also saw gnomes along the walking trails and eventually there was a little gnome village in a tree trunk. It was overall an amazing field trip. So in my opinion the Red Barn Preserve is a great place to go and have fun when you are bored.

Sincerely, Tavion



6/8/22

Dear, The Red Barn Preserve

The Red Barn Preserve was the best place to go hang out, hike the trails, and check out the Blue Herons. To me I would rate them 10/10 because of the joy, and peacefulness. For others who are thinking about hiking or having a picnic I would tell them, be sure to look at the views and the dams. I would tell them this because it's fun.

Thank you for this wonderful place. I would like to go there again sometime.

Sincerely,
Jared.



The Red Barn preserve was fun because we got to watch the Blue herons fly, also I saw some frogs, toads, worms and even a salamander isn't that cool. We also got to read stuff on the trails, which that was fun to, after we were done walking all the trails we got to have a little picnic with all my friends and we talked about what trail was the best and which one was the worst, but my favorite trail was the yellow one because there was reading on the trail and at the end of it was a cabin where it showed you the blue herons nest. But my favorite thing we did at the Red Barn preserve was playing volleyball with my friends and even winning, playing cornhole with my best friend and we got to play a small little kickball game my team won but it really wasn't a real kickball game we just had fun all together.



Dakota

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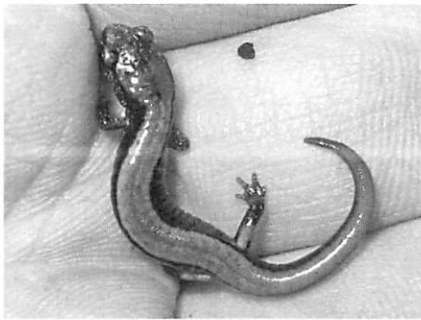
Dear Red Barn Preserve board members,

When you are looking for somewhere in the outdoors to explore you should go to the Red Barn Preserve! I just went there for a field trip and we all had so much fun! We went hiking through the woods, played volleyball, played cornhole, we ate lunch there, and we also just did a lot of stuff! We saw a heronry, (Which is a colony of blue heron nests) We saw a bunch of beaver dams, and wild animals, there was even a little fairy village in a tree which had a whole in the bottom! It was really fun. We walked down all of the trails, we saw all of the little bridges that were built for people to walk across, and we also saw a bunch of wild animal tracks!



Kadence 6/8/22

The Red Barn Preserve is an inspiring place to go if you like to explore things. It was really fun because we got to go hiking on trails and there were little books to read while you're walking. I found a Salamander under a rock but at first I thought it was a worm until I saw that it had 4 little legs and eyes. The eyes were small and were really hard to see. A sixth grader from my class also found a baby toad by a tree. One group saw a baby blue Heron which is super cool! There were really pretty white and some yellow flowers along the way too :) After we explored the trails we went back to the field and played some volleyball with the net we hung up and it was really fun! Even the teachers played. We ate lunch after volleyball and I ended up falling asleep because that amazing day tired me out. If you want a quiet, calming, and inspiring place to go hiking or on a field trip, the Red Barn Preserve is the perfect place to go!!



The Red Barn Preserve.... When we got out of the bus I could feel a warm breeze hit my face. I stepped out of the bus into the damp grass. I then followed Mrs.Paquette to the dark green trail. My group and I went through many different trails and even found a salamander! After that we headed back to the other groups to eat our lunches. We also played fun games like volleyball,basketball,badminton,kickball,frisbee,and catch. After we enjoyed all of our time we went back on the bus and headed back to school to pack up for home. Overall I would definitely go there every day to keep exploring more cool creatures.



This is a very pretty blue Heron! You can see these in their trees when looking.



The Red barn Preserve was the best field trip I have ever been on there was a tone of wildlife and cool aditions like farries a knome and other stuff. And if you pay attention you can find things like deer prints and frogs. Their trails are very cool to just walk down and if you want to find things like snakes,birds,salamanders,and frogs it is the best place for you. Like when I lifted up a rock I found a salamander and when I was walking down the wood walkway with my teacher we saw a snake. And my favorite part was when we saw the blue harens in the rookery. They were babys but we also saw one in the pond. It was a cool experience and I recommend it to anyone who is interested in wildlife and the outdoors.



I had a good time at the Red Barn Preserve. It is the most beautiful sight seeing. I like the Blue herons and I also saw a pie lighted woodpecker. Just one thing you should know about is that there are too many mosquitoes there. I got over 5 or 8 bites from them. I also tripped on mud. I was so scared.



Kyland Bedford
6/7/22

The red barn preserve is an awesome field trip idea. It's not too far from Madill, Kennedy, or even OFA. It's only like a 20 minute drive to a fun long hike and you can play games after your are done with the trails and it's a never ending trail because one day you can hike it and see a few things and the next day see none it all depends on if you are quite the more quiet you are the more you will most likely see. Whenever I went hiking with my group we had found salamanders and 2 great blue herons and even a couple of frogs.



6/7/22

The Red Barn Preserve was very fun yesterday! I ran around playing tag, volleyball, cornhole, walking on trails, and the book that was on one of the trails. Also getting stung by wasps wasn't very fun but it was my first ever sting and I just laughed it off. I scared it away by accident because I tripped and screamed on the boardwalk. The Red Barn Preserve was very fun and I enjoyed every minute of the field trip! I hope to go somewhere like it again! I also hope I can visit the Red Barn Preserve again! Also, a small fun fact about Blue herons, their necks are curved into an S shape. (seen in pictures below.)



-Lucie

The Red Barn Preserve is a very fun and exciting place to have a field trip. Hiking was amazing and getting to see blue herons and other wildlife was a great experience. After hiking, The Red Barn Preserve had a lot of space for outdoor activities. Our class had loads of fun playing volleyball, bad mitten and kickball. The Red Barn Preserve was an amazing field trip with beautiful scenery.

-Riley

Areanna
June 7,2022

The Red Barn Preserve is an amazing place to go to if you are looking for some peace and quiet.It is a good place to go to if you wanna see the great blue herons my sixth grade class had a lot of fun at the preserve we saw some really cool things and had a lot of fun in the fields playing games and our teachers mom Mrs.Smithers came to say hi and brought us popsicles as a snack she was really nice to us and i enjoyed meeting her we spent almost the whole day at the Red Barn Preserve.We picnicked out on the grass and after we played volleyball and some other games with our friends we had lots of fun and I have to say this was one of the best field trips have ever been on and I would gladly go to the Red Barn Preserve again





The red barn preserve is the best place to take your kids, students or even yourself. It has so many cool things from trails through the woods to even watching great blue herons nest up in the trees and beavers making their dams.

-Landon

The Red Barn Preserve is a magnificent place to be at. It has Great Blue Heron's, frogs, salamanders and other critters thriving. It is in general a great place. Problems still occur but not often. Like mud can block of some trails, or Raccons and Beavers causing problems to the water or chicks. Luckily this is normally taken care of quickly and non-harmfully. They just relocate the animals. Though when I went there my experience was good. I first was in a group with some of my friends with Mr. Fishel. During this time I got bit by about seven mosquitoes. Then I went through the woods and almost lost my left shoe in mud. After that, I went back and met with my and the other class to play a bit. I played Cornhole and Uno Mario. After playing some games, I and everyone else ate their lunch. Then I just waited until I could go home.

If you want to learn a bit more about the Red Barn Preserve, then click on this link below this text.
<https://www.stlctrails.com/trails/trail/red-barn-preserve>

-Zander Kench

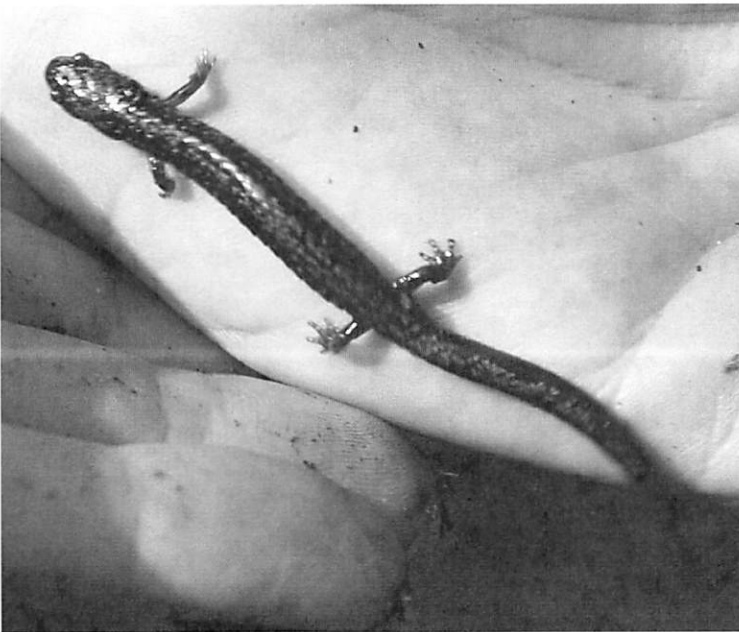


Maddox

6/7/22

I enjoyed going to the Red Barn Preserve. I loved going to this field trip mainly because I've never been to it before and seeing how close it is to where I live makes me wanna go there again for sure. I also loved the trails because of the things you can find, like the frogs, toads, and salamanders (I liked the salamanders the most). I also really enjoyed the stuff to do there and all the space to do stuff out in the yards. I also liked the ponds with the toads and frogs in them (They did make a lot of noise though.) I thought the frogs I found were cute because a lot

were babies and very small and some were different colors. The salamanders were a reddish - orangish - brownish color. I thought it was a baby salamander but I may be wrong. It also had a part of its tail cut/off I'm not sure how but I thought that was cool.



Respectfully,

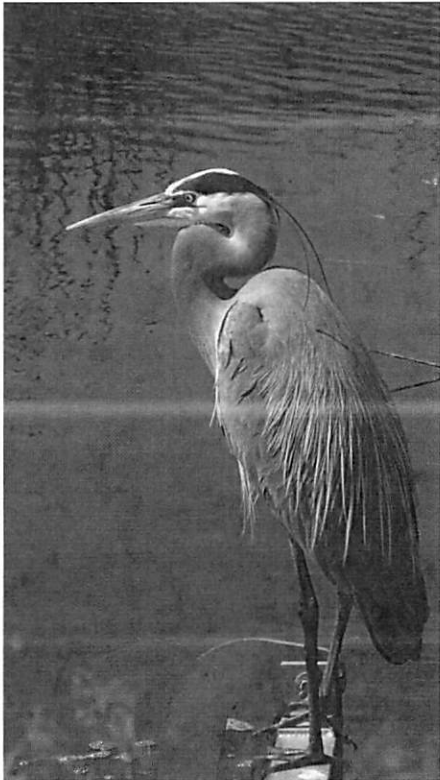
Maddox.

Dear Red Barn Preserve board,
2022

June 8th,

Personally, when our teacher said that we were hiking as a field trip, I didn't think I'd really enjoy it. Surprisingly, however, I enjoyed it quite a bit. While me and my 6th grade classmates were there, we played games like volleyball, catch, kickball, and more. We also hiked a trail or two. I loved the trails, as we found multiple creatures and evidence of wildlife such as deer and dogs. We found the tracks in the mud. I felt as though it was a very fitting field trip for 6th grade, as it wasn't just something like going to the park. I feel like it was a nice opportunity to get a lot of exercise and outdoor time, because some kids don't always get a whole bunch of it. My personal experience there was great. I got to spend actual time with my buddies and we got to talk, play games, and overall have a low-pressure day at school. I enjoyed volleyball and hanging out with my friends the most. So overall, I think the experience that you bring to kids is lovely, and I enjoyed it quite a bit.

- Graeah

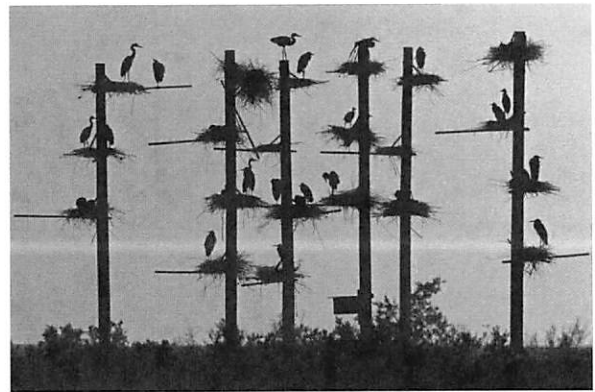


Dear, Board of The Red Barn Preserve

June 8, 2022

The Red Barn Preserve I want to thank you for allowing my grade to come to the Preserve, we had fun going on the trails seeing Great blue herons nest, and other animals. I love how there's different trails so you are not bored after one trail. Also the dust bunny stories are hilarious. The patch of grass in front of the barn is awesome so we could have volleyball and badminton, and any other sports or activities that could happen. I would love to come back again and have more fun at ... The Red Barn Preserve.

Sincerely, yours truly Jamie Furgison



I had an amazing time at the Red Barn Preserve. It was an amazing experience to see all the wildlife and the signs on the trail were funny and a good touch. The little gnomes in the trees were really cool to see. I loved being able to see the blue heron nests and see the blue herons. We saw lots of cool animals like chipmunks, frogs and salamanders. It was the best field trip I have ever been on and probably most the other kids best field trip to.



To: The Red Barn Preserve The Red Barn Preserve was a
blast.

The trails were beautiful and there were lots of blue herons, salamanders and frogs. The best thing about it was being in nature and the bridges were awesome. My favorite trail was the white trail because it was super fun like there was never even any people there. There were frogs, salamanders, blue herons, tree frogs and many many more things I am not going to get into. It was the best field trip I have ever been on.

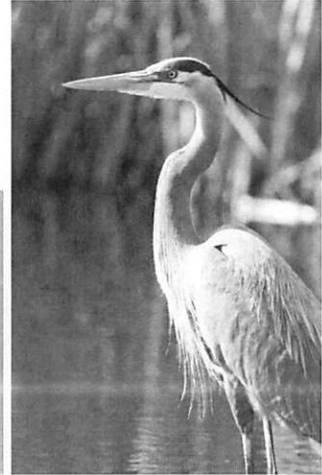
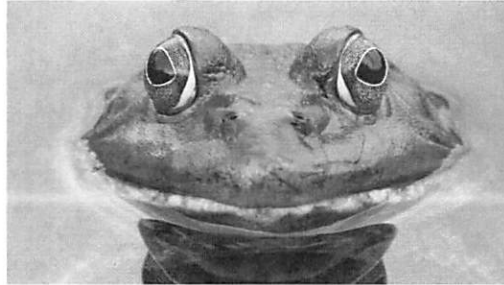
Sincerely,

Tory P

At the red barn preserve my class and I went on trails and we saw frogs, worms, a salamander, bullfrogs, and a great blue heron. The games at the red barn preserve were volleyball and corn hole. There were four trails, the first trail was the yellow trail, the second trail was the blue trail, the third trail was the red trail, and the last trail was the white trail. The red barn preserve was a good place and it was kinda fun.



I loved the field trip to The Red Barn Preserve. I liked to hike down the trails but sometimes they can be muddy. I saw frogs, bullfrogs and The great blue heron. It had a cool viewing point to look at the Blue herons. We played games in the field like volleyball, badminton and bean bag toss. We set down our beach towels and had lunch I had a peanut butter and jelly uncrustable, oreos, apple slices, nacho cheese doritos and hawaiian punch. Then I went on another hike through the woods and walked a lap around the barn. I even found a blue heron feather.



Andrew

June 7 2022

Dear Red barn Preserve board,

The Red Barn Preserve was an amazing field trip to be at. This field trip was very fun to explore. We walked the well designed trails and saw all the wildlife in the ponds and underneath rocks. While we were walking we saw a red salamander, frogs, Blue Herons, Beaver dams and a snake that Mrs. Paquette was scared half to death of. I also had a lot of fun just playing on the large fields with my classmates and teachers. This field trip was fun and I would go again anytime I also recommended it as a ten out of ten to other classes. Thank you for letting us use the trails and the p

Your explorer, Andrew

