

## Farm

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Visitors may sample fresh-baked foods on days when cooking demonstrations are conducted.

There is also a forge, where a blacksmith demonstrates the repair and maintenance of various farming equipment popular on depression-era farms and still in use at Wellington Farm Park.

Two special events are featured in August at the park.

On Aug. 7, beginning at noon, the Jack Pine Jamboree makes its debut.

The celebration of traditional folk, gospel and bluegrass music features the Blue Water Ramblers, a Michigan group whose nationally renowned musical stylings include sea chanteys, lumberman bal-

lads, rally songs and love ballads.

Performances by local musicians the Maple Sugar Band, the Beaver Creek Band and the Michelson Singers also will be featured throughout the day.

Public jam sessions will take place all afternoon, giving local musicians an opportunity to promote their groups.

The Taylors want to make the jamboree a permanent addition to their growing list of special events.

"This is a music festival to help raise money for the park," Taylor said. "We'd like to see it grow into a popular annual festival for this area."

All 23 of the farm buildings will be open for tours and demonstrations throughout the jamboree. Cakewalks and 50/50 raffles will be held during the day, and visitors can par-

ticipate in nature walks and storytelling sessions. Food concessions also will be available.

Farm equipment is the focus of attention at the Flatbelt Festival, scheduled for Aug. 27-29 starting at 9 a.m. each day.

Events to be held throughout the weekend include wheat threshing, a machinery parade each day at 3 p.m. and an extensive exhibit of antique farm trucks, tractors and field machinery.

Farm structures in the park are open for tours and feature demonstrations by costumed guides.

Admission to the Jack Pine Jamboree or the Flatbelt Festival is \$8 in advance or \$10 at the gate.

For directions or more information, call 1-888-OLD FARM or visit [www.wellingtonfarmpark.org](http://www.wellingtonfarmpark.org)



Courtesy of Wellington Farm Park

Visitors can watch as wood is put through the sawmill.

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