

**Membership Application**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/St./Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Interests** (check all that apply)

Promotion and Advocacy for the Refuge....

Interpretation and Education .....

Events and Programs .....

Kids activities.....

Fund Raising.....

Trail Maintenance, etc. ....

Other (please explain).....

**Membership Level** (check one):

Individual ..... \$15.....

Family ..... \$25.....

Business ..... \$50.....

Benefactor ..... \$100.....

Plus Donation of..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed:** ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail with your check to:

Friends of Moosehorn NWR,  
103 Headquarters Road, Unit 10,  
Baring, ME. 04694

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[www.moosehornfriends.org](http://www.moosehornfriends.org)

# Friends of Moosehorn National Wildlife Refuge

is an independent 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded in 2003 and committed to supporting the Moosehorn NWR.

**Mission**

To promote the use, understanding, knowledge, growth, development, operation, and management of the Moosehorn NWR and the refuge system of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

**Why the Friends?**

Wildlife and its habitat is under continual threat from a variety of development pressures including climate change. Young people are increasingly growing up with little contact with the natural world. And Federal and State budgets for wildlife, wildlands and outdoor recreation are declining.

The Friends of Moosehorn works to increase local support for the Refuge, to encourage volunteer involvement in the ongoing work of the refuge including habitat management, wildlife monitoring and providing educational, interpretive, and recreational opportunities. Our support, as advocates, volunteers and fundraisers, enables the Refuge and its staff to continue to protect the wildlife, its habitat and the opportunities they provide for a wide variety of recreational and educational activities

**What we do**

- Advocate for the continued support to the Refuge through outreach at local events.
- Assist in organizing or leading events and programs such as a spring kids fishing derby, a winter carnival, fall foliage tours.
- Help with management activities such as wildlife monitoring and trail maintenance
- Develop and produce interpretive materials such as guides to the best birding, hiking, fishing.

**Who Should Join**

Anyone who supports the protection and sustainable use of the wildlife and habitat of the Moosehorn Refuge and in particular, users of the refuge including:

- Hunters, anglers, trappers, berry pickers
- Bird watchers, wildlife enthusiasts, wildlife guides
- Photographers, leaf peepers
- Hikers, skiers, runners, snowshoers, canoeists, kayakers, cyclists, horseback riders, dog walkers (on leash)
- Parents with kids
- Local schools

**Benefits of Membership**

- Supporting your local wildlife refuge
- Learning more about wildlife and the refuge
- Being invited to special programs, film shows, events
- Opportunity to help at our events
- Discounts on Friends products.

## The Refuge



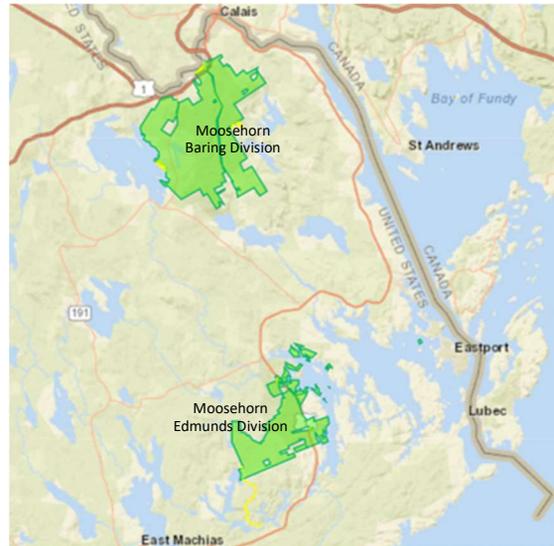
Established in 1937 the Moosehorn National Wildlife Refuge consists of nearly 30,000 acres of federally protected lands in far Downeast Maine spread over a northern Baring Division and a southern Edmunds Division. The refuge's landscape is varied, with rolling hills, large ledge outcrops, streams, lakes, bogs, and marshes. A northern hardwood forest of aspen, maple, birch, spruce and fir dominates the upland. Scattered stands of majestic white pine are common. The Edmunds Division includes several miles of rocky shoreline along Cobscook Bay where tidal fluctuations of up to 24 feet occur twice a day. The adjacent Cobscook Bay State Park has a campground and boat ramp.

Some areas of the reserve are actively managed, mainly through timber harvesting, mowing and burning, to maintain a diversity of habitats including:

- Sub-boreal and northern hardwood forests
- Grasslands and blueberry fields
- Freshwater marshes and ponds
- Rocky marine coastline

Other areas, designated as Federal Wilderness, are managed with a “hands-off” philosophy to allow them to develop into old-growth forests. Moosehorn NWR has been identified as having some of the oldest mature forest in the state of Maine.

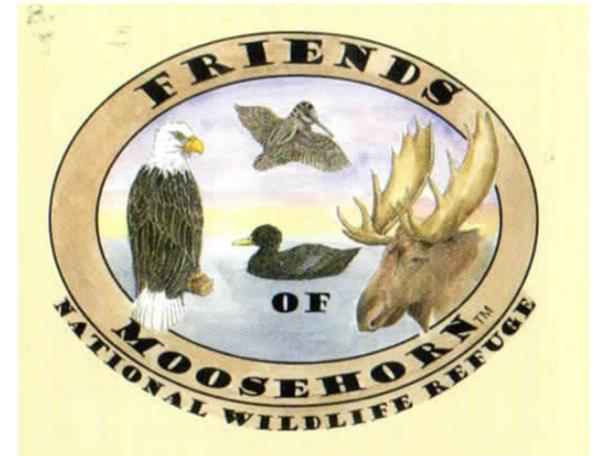
This habitat diversity supports many wildlife species including a number that are threatened or endangered. Black Bear, Moose, White-tailed Deer, Coyote, Bobcat, Beaver, Fisher and River Otter can all be found as well as many neo-tropical migratory birds which occur alongside northern forest species, such as boreal chickadees and spruce grouse. Other notable birds include the American Woodcock and the American Black Duck, as well as Bald Eagles, Osprey, Common Loon, Great-blue Heron and American Bittern. Cobscook Bay is an important stopover on the Atlantic Flyway.



Parts of the Refuge are open to various forms of recreation including hunting, fishing, bird watching, hiking, skiing, cycling, horse riding, skiing, snowshoeing, snowmobiling (designated trails) and touring by motor vehicle. There are wheelchair accessible trails in both Baring and Edmunds Divisions. Dogs must be leashed at all times.

For more information see the Refuge website at:  
[www.fws.gov/refuge/moosehorn/](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/moosehorn/)

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in Downeast Maine  
and beyond.**

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