

Nature notes for June 2011

June 6

The young of Little Brown Bats are born mid-June to early July. They will become self-supporting within a month.

June 13

Some of the many wildflowers to look for in June are Milkweed, Yarrow, and Jewelweed.

June 20

The brilliant blue Indigo Bunting actually has no blue pigmentation. Diffraction of light through the structure of the black feathers makes them appear blue.

June 27

Yarrow has been used medicinally in many ways throughout history. The Native Americans chewed it for toothaches and poured an infusion of it into ears to treat ear infections.