## A Checklist of Dragonflies and Damselflies

## at Goose Lake Prairie State Natural Area.

DRAGONFLIES	
Black-shoulder Spinyleg	Lancet Clubtail
Black Saddlebags	Prince Baskettail
Blue Dasher	Shadow Darner
Calico Pennant	Slaty Skimmer
Common Baskettail	Spot-winged Glider
Common Green Darner	Springtime Darner
Common Whitetail	Twelve-spotted Spiketail
Eastern Amberwing	Twin-spotted Spiketail
Eastern Pondhawk	Wandering Glider
Fawn Darner	Widdow Skimmer
Kalloween Pennant	Yellow-legged Meadowhawk
Illinois River Cruise	Report your sightings at the Desk at the Visitor's Center

DAMSELFLIES	
Ebony Jewelwing	Familiar Bluet
Emerald Spreadwing	Eastern Forktail

## Have you stopped to investigate?

## Is that fluttery creature a Dragonfly or a Damselfly?

DRAGONFLIES (Anisoptera)	DAMSELFLIES (Zygoptera)
Generally strong fliers	A weak fluttery flight
Fore & hind wings are different shapes	• Fore & hind wings are of similar shape
• Eyes (apart from Gomfidae and 2 others) touch on top of the head	Eyes are well separated
• At, rest, wings are held away from the body at approximately 180 degrees	• At rest, the wings (apart from Lestidae & 1 or 2 others) are held close to the body

Art Rohr, Prairie Partner Volunteer, recommends reading Cynthia Berger's book: <u>Wild Guide : Dragonflies</u>. (Stackpole Books).

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