

## Activities to celebrate the WWD 2013 in Estonia,

## organized by Environmental Board.

During the different events, the main goal was to rise awareness about wetlands, which are around us and to celebrate the day with everybody who are interested in wetlands and RAMSAR and are not involved with nature conservation in their every day life.

The meeting about wetlands was held in Haapsalu. Presentations about values of wetlands in North-West of Estonia (**Silma Nature Reserve etc**) were held behalf of specialist from Environmental Board, Silma Study Centre, Läänemaa Bird Club and local municipality. The foundation of the Silma Nature Reserve.

The meeting about RAMSAR site **Käina Bay** and the boat trip on the bay was held in Hiiumaa. The subjects was about the management and values of Käina Bay.

Hiking in the Riisa bog with bog-shoes and presentations in **Soomaa National Park** Centre was held on the WWD's. The representatives of Environmental Board, State Forest Management Centre, Estonian University of Life Sciences and local nature guides were held presentations about restoration of different wetland types (semi-natural grassland and bog), practical validation of economical value of bog ecosystems, tourism in bog areas and what is the added value of status of RAMSAR site in Soomaa NP.

The values of wetlands were introduced by specialists of Environmental Board in **Endla Nature Reserve** with hiking with bog-shoes in Männikjärve bog.



