

# GIANT DRAGONFLY



**Scientists recently found the Giant Dragonfly in wetlands near Nabiac and Seal Rocks. This is the first sighting in many years.**

## GIANT DRAGONFLY FACTS

- it is the third largest species of dragonfly in the world
- it is very rare because when wetlands are destroyed it loses its home
- The larvae or young dragonfly burrow deep into the ground and can live as larvae for 10 years or more. Adults only live a few months.

## WHAT MAKES THEM SPECIAL?

Dragonflies catch and eat their food while flying. They can eat over 100 mosquitoes per day!

Dragonflies were on earth before the dinosaurs.

A dragonfly's eye is made of thousands of tiny eyes. They can see everywhere except right behind them!

Dragonflies can fly forwards, backwards, up, down and sideways - like a helicopter!

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**It's very exciting to find the Giant Dragonfly in the MidCoast.**

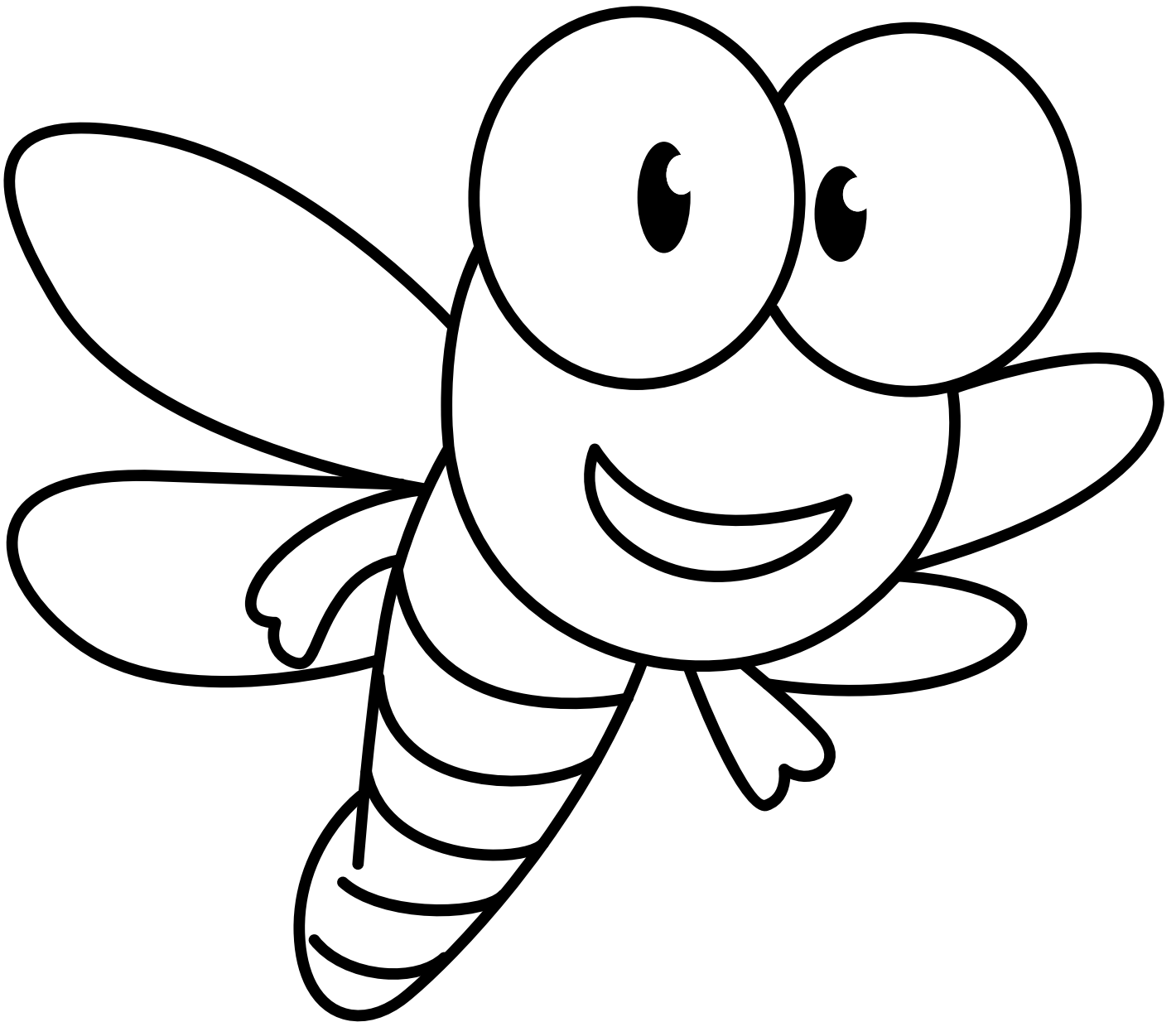
**We'd love you to visit the MidCoast wetland reserves and look for the Giant Dragonfly.**

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

**Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

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