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Year 'round, there are nature programs offered by state and federal agencies, as well as nonprofits.

And in November of each year, all the stops are pulled out when folks come from across the country to participate in the Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival. The six-day event celebrates the natural wonders of the area offers many opportunities to explore and discover the richness of the region's environment.

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A little southern hospitality

Nothing says southern hospitality like a conversation with an old -- or new -- friend on the front porch while enjoying a cup of coffee.

Pea Island Visitor Center is bursting with such hospitality and throughout the Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival in November, visitors can help themselves to a beverage and a doughnut or two while looking over the bird sightings list on the center's front porch.

At other times, the Visitor Center is a great place to shop for books, shirts, toys and other wildlife-themed items or to grab a cold drink.

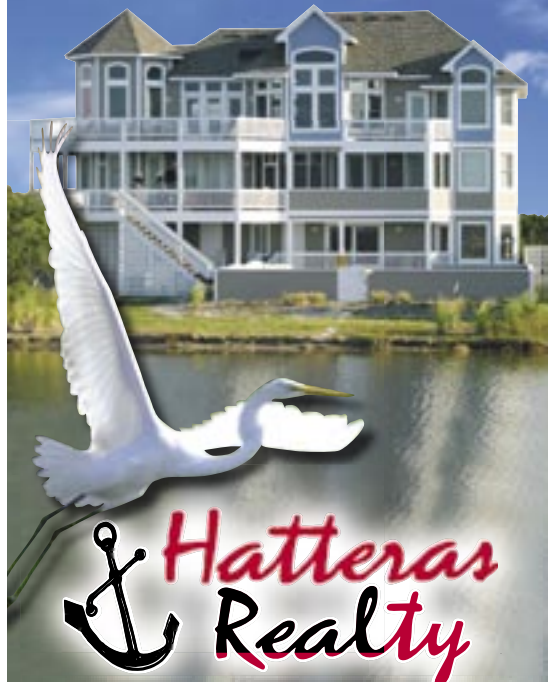
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Several paddling trips also are scheduled for Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival to be held in November. See schedule in this publication

Alligator River Canoe Tours: 9 a.m. to noon Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from June 6 to Aug. 31; and Wednesdays, Fridays from Sept. 5 to Oct. 31. The three-hour trip is \$35 per person (\$20 for children, 12 years and under). The Milltail Creek Canoe/Kayak Trail System takes paddlers deep into the wilds of this Refuge. Meet at the south end of Buffalo City Road.



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Canoeist on Currituck Sound

local wildlife and plants. Meet at New Inlet.

Pea Island Family Canoe Tour: 10 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays and Fridays from June 6 to Aug. 31. This two-hour adventure is \$25 per person (\$15 for children, 12 years and under). Children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet at New Inlet.

For all canoe tours on Pea Island refuge meet at New Inlet, six miles south of Oregon Inlet. Wading shoes required; hats, sunscreen and drinking water recommended.

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Folks will be on hand to share artifacts, pelts, soft traps, radio collars and literature on the red wolf recovery effort. Learn how this majestic animal, once extinct in the wild, was first reintroduced to the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge in Dare County. Hear how volunteers and staff track the red wolves, how the radio collaring program works, and where the primary wolf packs roam on hundreds of thousands of acres across three mainland North Carolina counties since the first pairs were released nearly 20 years ago.

There are too many activities to list but some offerings specifically for children will include a fish ring toss, critter calls, and face painting, while children and adults alike can learn about Alligator River's black bears; the special critters that call the ocean surf zone and shallow sound waters home with Soundside Discovery; and hunter safety and education.

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Red Wolf program a real 'howl'

Looking for something different to do on your visit? Alligator River Wildlife Refuge staff offers visitors the experience of a lifetime! Learn about red wolves and participate in a 'howling.' The program will occur except when there is lightning, heavy wind or rain, or impassable road conditions. Decision to cancel will be made no later than 1.5 hours before program. Programs are free: registration is required. Trips begin at Creef Cut Wildlife Trail parking lot. Visit www.redwolves.com or call 252-796-5600 to register. Howlings also are one of the many programs offered during Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival in November, see program guide beginning on page 17.

Lost and Found

Red Wolves making comeback

One of the world's most endangered wild canids, it was once common throughout the southeastern US, but its populations were decimated by the 1960s due to intensive predator control programs and loss of habitat. A remnant population was found along the Gulf coast of Texas and Louisiana. After being declared an endangered species in 1973, efforts began to locate and capture as many wild Red Wolves as possible. Of the 17 wolves captured, 14 became the founders of a successful captive breeding program. Consequently, the US Fish and Wildlife Service declared Red Wolves extinct in the wild in 1980.

By 1987, enough of the animals were bred in captivity to begin a restoration program on Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge. Since then, the population area has expanded to include three national wildlife refuges, a Department of Defense bombing range,

state-owned lands, and private property, spanning a total of 1.7 million acres.

An estimated 100 Red Wolves roam the wilds of northeastern North Carolina and another 180 comprise the captive breeding program, still an essential element of Red Wolf recovery.

The average adult red wolf weighs 50-80 pounds, stands about 26 inches at the shoulder and measures about four feet from the tip of the nose to the end of the tail.

They are social animals, living in packs consisting of a breeding adult pair and their offspring of different years, typically five to eight animals. They prey on a variety of wild mammals such as raccoon, rabbit, white-tailed deer, nutria, and other rodents. Most active at dusk and dawn, they are elusive and generally avoid humans and human activity.

Looking for something to do?

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Seabirds of the Gulf Stream have own magic

Did you know that just by traveling 20 to 30 miles out to sea off the Outer Banks that you can see several species of birds in one day that you would be hard-pressed to see in years of shore-based birding?

This is the world of pelagic birding, and the Gulf Stream off Cape Hatteras is a world-class destination for what has become known as "seabirding." People travel thousands of miles to come to see the local specialty, the Black-capped Petrel and a variety of other deep-water species. The waters of the Cape are a destination for birds from all over the Atlantic.

Tiny Wilson's Storm-Petrels from Antarctica, Greater Shearwaters from far away Tristan de Cunha, Cory's Shearwaters from the Azores and the Mediterranean, Sooty Shearwaters from South America, Manx Shearwaters from Britain, Great Skuas from Iceland, White-tailed Tropicbirds from Bermuda, Leach's Storm-Petrels from Newfoundland, and Pomarine Jaegers from the arctic tundra are all species that might be seen on a seabirding trip, and with a little luck, most might be seen in one day.

Though birders and ornithologists have surveyed the local Gulf Stream waters for more than 30 years, much remains to be learned. Though diversity tends to peak between May and September, as many as 12 species have been spotted in a day in early November. For those who like to watch birds in action, these trips are a great experience. The closest parallels in land-based birding are sea-watching from shore and hawk-watching. But what is different about pelagic birding is the ability to move closer to the action, and by using fish oil and other tasty offerings, birds can be enticed into coming closer for viewing. The grace and agility of the ocean wanderers is truly a sight to behold but one that you might never see if you don't go to sea.

Captain Brian Patteson has organized and led hundreds of pelagic trips from the Outer Banks since the early 1990's. He now runs most of his trips from Hatteras on his own boat, the Stormy Petrel II. Call 252-986-1363 or visit www.seabirding.com.



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So what's to see?

During the 2006 Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival, there were 171 species of birds seen at the various program sites. Following are some of the confirmed sightings, some of which are common on the Outer Banks; others not so frequently seen here.

Red-throated Loon	Ring-necked Duck
Horned Grebe	Lesser Scaup
Eared Grebe	White-winged
Pied-billed Grebe	Scoter
Northern Gannet	Common Golden-eye
White Pelican	Bufflehead
American Bittern	Hooded Merganser
Tricolored Heron	Ruddy Duck
Cattle Egret	Northern Harrier
Glossy Ibis	Sharp-shinned
Mute Swan	Hawk
Tundra Swan	Cooper's Hawk
Brant	Red-shouldered Hawk
Snow Goose	Red-tailed Hawk
Gadwall	Bald Eagle
Northern Pintail	Merlin
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Common Moorhen
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Outer Banks' history is wild!

The Outer Banks is known for its maritime and colonial history, but its abundance of wildlife also holds historical importance.

The region's wildlife was among the earliest aspects of the New World to be reported in England. After Arthur Barlowe landed on Roanoke Island in 1584, he reported "such a flocke of Cranes (the most part white) [which] arose under us, with such a crye redoubled by many Echoes, as if an armie of men had showed all together."

The woods, Barlowe wrote, were full of deer, rabbits and birds "even in the midst of Summer, in incredible abundance."

Squirrels and bears were added to the list of animals found within 100 miles of Roanoke Island, while Native Americans were said to sometimes kill a "Lyon" — probably a panther -- and wolves were noted.

Early explorers also reported seeing a wide variety of marine life including sturgeons, herrings, crabs and shellfish.

"There are many Tortoyses both of lande and sea kinde," explorer and scientist Thomas Hariot concluded. "[T]heir backs & bellies are shelled very thicke; their head, feete, and taile, which are in appearance, seems



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Great Egret

ougly as though they were members of a serpent or venomous: but notwithstanding they are very good meate, as also their egges. Some have bene founde of a yard in bredth and better."

The alligator received attention and, although once almost wiped out of the area, now are common sights.

John Lawson made passing reference to the bullfrog, "so call'd," he said, "because he lows exactly like that Beast,

which makes Strangers wonder (when by the side of a Marsh) what's the matter, for they hear the Frogs low, and can see no Cattle."

The wide array of wildlife is still appreciated and celebrated in the Outer Banks region. Area nonprofits and agencies offer an assortment of programs and activities for nature-lovers all year long and the Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival to be held Nov. 6-11, 2007 offers dozens of programs for paddlers, birders and others who enjoy the great outdoors.

During William Powell's tenure as curator of the N.C. Collection at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, he recounted the history of documenting the region's wildlife. A portion of the above is excerpted from Powell's work.

Weidensaul to present keynote address

Keynote speaker for this year's Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival will be Scott Weidensaul, author of more than two dozen books on natural history including the Pulitzer Prize-nominated "Living on the Wind."

In 1955, naturalists Roger Tory Peterson and James Fisher published their best selling book "Wild America," chronicling a now-legendary 30,000-mile trip across North America. Fifty years later, Weidensaul retraced their epic journey, to see what has been gained and lost, and to catch a glimpse of what the future holds for wildlife and wild lands.

"I'd read 'Wild America' as a kid, and was — like most of its readers — on fire with the idea of doing a similar trip, bumming around wild country finding exotic birds," said Weidensaul. "But as I got older and periodically re-read the book, I came to realize that Peterson and Fisher were seeing America at a crossroads in the early 1950s, both culturally and at a critical time for conservation.

"And I realized that with the fiftieth anniversary of the publication of the original book coming up in 2005, there was a marvelous opportunity to go back



and retrace the original trip, and use it as a framework to look at what we'd gained and what we'd lost for conservation in the past half-century."

As he retraced the steps of Peterson and Fisher, Weidensaul traveled from the great seabird cliffs of Newfoundland to the cypress swamps of Florida, from the cloud forests of the Sierra Madre in Mexico to lonely islands far out in the Bering Sea. He searched out the wild heart of the continent - and found it strong. His journey and subsequent findings are the basis of his book "Return to Wild America: A

Yearlong Search for the Continent's Natural Soul."

Weidensaul lives in the mountains of eastern Pennsylvania, where he studies the migration of hawks, owls and hummingbirds.

He writes for such publications as Smithsonian, Audubon, Nature Conservancy and National Wildlife and his newest book is "Of a Feather: A Brief History of American Birding."

The Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival keynote dinner will be at 6 p.m., Friday, Nov. 9, at Roanoke Island Festival Park. Cost is \$30 and advanced registration is required. See registration form on pages 41-42.

Aquarium After Hours social offers unique opportunities

What could be more perfect than ending the day with an unhurried stroll through the Aquarium on Roanoke Island after hours? The answer is simple. Taking that stroll with a glass of wine, beer or other beverage while nibbling a little cheese, fruit or sweets. Visit with old friends or make a few new ones at this unique social event.

In addition to its long list of exhibits, the Aquarium features the largest aquarium in the state — a 285,000-gallon ocean tank complete with sharks, sea turtles and hundreds of fish. The 'Graveyard of the Atlantic' tank



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offers a unique glimpse into the underwater world just off Outer Banks beaches. Large sharks swim inches away from visitors as they peer through a 5.5-inch acrylic window that's 35-foot long and 14 feet tall. The window wraps up and overhead in a candy-cane shape offering an overhead view of the tank's inhabitants. Civil war buffs will marvel at the one-third-scale replica of the USS Monitor, which lies just off Cape Hatteras

at a depth of 210 feet. The social will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 10. Cost is \$10 and registration is required. See registration form on pages 45-46.



Paddling ins and outs

All trips have an eight-boat limit. Some trips are in canoes; some are in kayaks. See trip specifics. All trips are for non-motorized vessels only. Kayaks and canoes are made available from local outfitters and the Friends of the Refuge group, the Coastal Wildlife Refuge Society. Paddlers are responsible for their own safety and agree to assume all risks. Arrangements can be made for paddlers to provide their own boat (no discounts).

Cancellation Policy

Bad weather may result in the cancellation of boat or paddling trips. In this case, some trips may be rescheduled or relocated. There will be no refunds for foul weather except for boat/paddling trips. Call ahead if in doubt or for more information.

Kitty Hawk Kites (252) 202-6282

Back Country Outfitters (252) 453-0877

Coastal Kayak (252) 207-6028

Kitty Hawk Kayak and Surf School (252) 261-014

Fish and Wildlife Service (252) 987-1118

Pettigrew State Park (252) 797-4475

For updated information, call the Cancellation Hotline at 252-441-8144 ext. 300.

A little southern hospitality

Nothing says southern hospitality like a conversation with an old — or new — friend on the front porch while enjoying a cup of coffee.

Pea Island Visitors Center is bursting with such hospitality and throughout the Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival in November, visitors can help themselves to a beverage and a doughnut or two while looking over the bird sightings list on the center's front porch.

Directions, please...

Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival participants can pick up welcome packets at the Chamber of Commerce or the Pea Island Visitor Center on festival weekend. The packets include detailed directions to the various events as well as a map of the area.

When enjoying the great outdoors, don't forget to...

be prepared with both the right accessories and manners.

always take sunscreen because even in the winter, it is possible to get sunburned.

take insect repellent to avoid swatting at mosquitoes and flies while trying to spot birds or take a nature walk.

take bottled water along on any jaunt to avoid dehydration. Water in nearby streams and creeks may look refreshing but can be polluted.

take a snack or two to help keep up energy and to ward off hunger pains that shift thoughts from looking for that rare flower to wondering where to grab fast food.

take the extras needed to accomplish the mission. If birding, remember the scope, binoculars and bird book. If kayaking, take along water shoes or some other type of foot wear that can withstand getting wet.

leave cell phones turned off.

take along a light jacket or sweater. Weather on the Outer Banks often turns cool as fronts move in.

Refund Policy

Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival reserves the right to cancel a field trip, program or activity for any reason. In the event this becomes necessary, participants will be notified and issued a refund.

Reservations may be canceled at anytime for any reason in which case the following refund policy applies:

Cancellations received in writing by Oct. 1, 2007 will be refunded after the event with a 15 percent administrative fee deducted.

There will be no refunds for cancellations received after Oct. 1, 2007.

No-shows will not be refunded.

What's happening

Tuesday, November 6

Bird Photography Pea Island NEW! (7)

Catch the morning light and explore Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge in search of birds to photograph. Various wading birds, fall migrant songbirds, waterfowl and shorebirds are expected. Participants also will take advantage of the diverse scenery, flora and fauna to photograph along the way. A telephoto lens is recommended. Limited to eight participants. Pea Island Visitor Center. 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. Cost \$30. Mark Buckler

Decoy Carving (14)

Why are those old blocks of wood so important? What purpose can they serve? This half-

day class about decoys will answer those questions. Participants will see examples of antique decoys from the region while learning the importance of their functionality and style. Participants also will learn basic decoy carving techniques and carve the body of a decoy which is their's to keep. Limited to five participants. Outer Banks Center for Wildlife Education in Currituck Heritage Park. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost \$20. Chandler Sawyer

Artfully Wild!

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Great Egret

What's happening

Great Outdoors Photography

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Backcountry Expedition (14)

This unique combination of "off-road" 4x4 and kayak eco-touring explores 30 miles of beach and backcountry lanes by SUV and paddling the northern Currituck waterways from inside the exclusive Spanish Mustang Reserve. Trained naturalists discuss local ecology, history and shore life. No private boats permitted. Whalehead Club in Currituck Heritage Park. Noon to 3:30 p.m. Cost \$50. Back Country Outfitters and Guides



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Northern Cardinal

Manteo Candlelight Tour (D)

Travel back in time to Victorian-era Manteo and experience the area's truly unique living history. Join a local guide for an evening stroll through Manteo's charming streets, while viewing historic homes and listening to local lore, with maybe even a ghost story or two! 6:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. Island Ice, next to Carolina Outdoors in downtown Manteo. Cost \$30. Francis D'Ambra

Wednesday, November 7

South Pond (6)

This program designed for beginning birders includes a rare opportunity to bird an area of Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge usually closed to visitors. Pea Island refuge headquarters. 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Moderate. Cost \$20. Lee Yoder

Corolla Birding (14)

Heritage Park and the North Carolina Estuarine Reserve are among the best "migrant traps" on the Outer Banks. Sedge and Marsh Wrens, late migrating and wintering sparrows are possible. Wetland boardwalks can produce King Rails, Virginia Rails or Soras. Tidal flats may yield Willets, yellowlegs and other shorebirds. Outer Banks Center for Wildlife Education in Currituck Heritage Park. 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Easy. Cost \$25. Mark Buckler

Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge Birding (H)

Explore the Refuge's extensive farm fields for raptors such as Bald Eagles, as well as for birds in grassland and roadside vegetation. Butterflies possible, weather permitting. Red wolf and black bear sightings possible. Creef Cut parking area. 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Moderate. Cost \$30. Jay Ross

Mattamuskeet National Wildlife Refuge Birding (M)

Meet at the Mattamuskeet Lodge and learn about the refuge before departing for the Causeway, Entrance Road, and Wildlife Drive to view thousands of waterfowl as well as shorebirds, waders and raptors. Explore other parts of the refuge as time allows. Mattamuskeet Lodge. 8 a.m. to noon. Moderate. Cost \$20. Ernie Marshall

What's happening

Nags Head Woods Preserve (12)

Explore a globally-rare maritime deciduous forest's towering dunes, dark swamps and other ecological communities with Northeast Regional Steward Aaron McCall. Learn about The Nature Conservancy's conservation efforts and watch for warblers, kinglets, Pileated Woodpeckers, Wood Ducks and other native fauna and flora. Nags Head Woods Ecological Preserve. 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Moderately strenuous. Cost \$20. Aaron McCall

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The Maze Kayak (14)

This trip is truly for the adventurous! Slip silently through the labyrinth of marsh creeks and search for rails, ibis, herons, egrets, raccoons, and other salt marsh wildlife. Boat ramp under Washington Baum Bridge across from Pirates Cove. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Moderate. Cost \$35. Kitty Hawk Kayak and Surf School

South Pond (6)

This special trip will focus on wading birds by taking advantage of a rare opportunity to bird an area of Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge usually closed to visitors. Pea Island refuge headquarters. 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Moderate. Cost \$20. Lex Glover

Shifting Sands (8)

Come explore the beach near Oregon Inlet on a walk with local author and Coastkeeper Jan DeBlieu. She will discuss the natural processes of barrier island movement and the creatures that live in the shifting sands. Participants also will examine first-hand attempts by humans to draw a line in the sand and the impact these efforts have had on migratory birds. Parking lot south of Oregon Inlet bridge. 2

p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Moderate. Cost \$20. Jan DeBlieu

Kitty Hawk Bay Sunset Kayak Tour (13)

Enjoy a classic Carolina sunset over Kitty Hawk Bay. Navigate by the amber light of the harvest setting sun. Pass through tall cordgrass fields and listen for the mysterious sounds of the night marsh. Dock of the Bay Marina. 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Cost \$35. Kitty Hawk Kites

Nature Photography NEW! (14)

Learn how to get beyond taking simple snapshots and start making photographs. Take photography to the next level through some simple techniques that will produce more artistic results. The presentation will be followed by an outdoor photographic session at Currituck Heritage Park. Limited to 15 participants. Outer Banks Center for Wildlife Education in Currituck Heritage Park. 4 p.m.

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Osprey



Wings Over Water Festival 2007

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USS Monitor
National Marine
Sanctuary

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to 7 p.m. Cost \$30. Mark Buckler

Owl Prowl (H)

Hoot up Barred Owls, Screech Owls and, maybe even, a Great Horned Owl. Observe classic owl behavior. Program will begin with a brief program on natural history, distribution and identification of local species. Creef Cut parking area. 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Easy. Cost \$20. Ann Marie Chapman

Thursday, November 8

Red-cockaded Woodpecker at Palmetto-Peartree Preserve (I)

Travel to the "P-3" where several colonies of endangered Red-cockaded Woodpeckers are being studied. Most of the sites are visible from the network of unpaved roads. Also look for six other species of woodpeckers and various songbirds that can be found in this area 4x4 useful. Shell service station at west end of Alligator River Bridge. 6 a.m.

to 11 a.m. Easy. Cost \$30. John Hammond

Pea Island "Duck Hunt" (7)

Ever wondered what a duck hunt is like? Come experience the hunt of a lifetime on this trip. Participants will learn about decoys and ducks and have the opportunity to sit in a blind on this simulated duck hunt in the refuge photography blind. Decoys will be placed, calls will be used, and the anticipation of ducks coming to the decoys will be experienced by all! Trip will start promptly to minimize disturbance to the birds. Bring cameras, no guns. Pea Island Refuge Visitor Center. 6:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Easy. Cost \$20. Brian VanDruuten

Bird Photography – Corolla (14)

Catch the morning light and explore the sound, marsh, beach and maritime forest of Corolla in search of birds to photograph. Various wading birds, fall migrant songbirds, waterfowl and shorebirds are expected. Participants will also take advantage of the diverse scenery, flora and fauna



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Bottlenose Dolphin

What's happening

to photograph along the way. A telephoto lens is recommended. Limited to eight participants. Outer Banks Center for Wildlife Education in Currituck Heritage Park. 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. Cost \$30. Mark Buckler

Roanoke Island Birding (F)

Explore Roanoke Island birding hotspots, including the historic Elizabethan Gardens and its collection of priceless statuary, interesting plants and butterflies (weather permitting). Lots of photo opportunities. Find birds that are year-round residents or late fall migrants. Possibilities include a wide assortment of warblers, vireos, wrens, orioles and sparrows. The Elizabethan Gardens parking area. 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Easy. Cost \$30. Jeff Lewis

South Pond (6)

This is a rare opportunity to bird an of Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge area usually closed to

visitors. Pea Island refuge headquarters. 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Moderate. Cost \$20. John and Paula Wright

North Pond Duck Identification (7)

Bird the north and south dikes of North Pond on Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge. This class focuses on duck identification. North Pond Trail (south dike of North Pond) is maintained for easy walking and is universally accessible. Pea Island Refuge Visitor Center. 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Easy. Cost \$20. Lex Glover

Cape Hatteras (4)

The Point, the Salt Pond and the sandy beach are important areas of Cape Hatteras National Seashore for viewing unusual gulls, seabirds, shorebirds, ducks, waders and raptors. Brown Pelicans are sure to be seen. Black Skimmers and American Oystercatchers are possible. Learn to separate the six possible species of gulls and



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What's happening



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Willet

five species of terns. Limited to 12 participants. 4X4 transportation is provided. Cape Hatteras Lighthouse visitor parking area. 8 a.m. to noon. Easy. Cost \$25. Pat and Neal Moore, Bunnie Doolittle, Jeff Pippen

Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge Birding (H)

Explore the Refuge's extensive farm fields for raptors such as Bald Eagles, as well as for birds in grassland and roadside vegetation. Butterflies possible, weather permitting. Red wolf and black bear sightings possible. Creef Cut parking area. 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Moderate. Cost \$30. Jay Ross

The Maze Kayak (11)

This trip is truly for the adventurous! Slip silently through the labyrinth of marsh creeks and search for rails, ibis, herons, egrets, raccoons, and other salt marsh wildlife. Boat ramp under

Washington Baum Bridge across from Pirate's Cove. 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Moderate. Cost \$35. Kitty Hawk Kayak and Surf School

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Scuppernong River Canoe Trip (K)

Explore the Scuppernong River with a ranger from Pettigrew State Park. Learn about the features of this unique water body that is home to a variety of rare species, including Atlantic white cedar and Red-cockaded Woodpeckers. Creswell wildlife boat ramp. 10 a.m. to noon. Free. Pettigrew State Park staff

Mackay Island National Wildlife Refuge Birding (16)

Take a three-mile walk on the refuge's impoundment dike to view waterfowl, marsh birds, wading birds, some songbirds and, hopefully, a pair of bald eagles. Waterfowl prospects include Snow Geese, Green and Blue Winged Teal, Northern Shovelers, Wood Ducks, and widgeon. Refuge marshes also provide cover for a variety of rails and bitterns. Reaching the refuge includes a 45-minute ferry ride. Mackay Island refuge office entrance parking area by way of Currituck ferry. 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Easy. Cost \$20.

Scuppernong River Pontoon (J)

Tour the lower Scuppernong River on a pontoon boat with local naturalists from Partnership of the Sounds and Eastern 4-H Environmental Education Center staff. This relaxing ride through cypress swamps showcases a paddler's paradise that used to transport barges to the historic Somerset Place. Walter B. Jones, Sr. Center

What's happening

for the Sounds. 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Cost \$45. Eastern 4-H Environmental Education Center and Partnership for the Sounds staff

South Pond (6)

This is a rare opportunity to bird a Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge area usually closed to visitors. This program is for beginning birders. Pea Island refuge headquarters. 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Moderate. Cost \$20. Ricky Davis

Big Tree Hike (K)

Come join the Park director for a hike through Pettigrew State Park's virgin forest. Learn about the Park's champion trees that include several with diameters between six and 10 feet. Observe remnants from 2003's Hurricane Isabel. Wear appropriate clothing and bring bug spray. Some hiking will be off the trail. Pettigrew State Park

Office. 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Free. Sid Shearin

Kitty Hawk Bay Sunset Kayak Tour (13)

Enjoy a classic Carolina sunset over Kitty Hawk Bay. Navigate by the amber light of the harvest setting sun. Pass through tall cordgrass fields and listen for the mysterious sounds of the night marsh. Dock of the Bay Marina. 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Cost \$35. Kitty Hawk Kites

Red Wolf Howling (H)

Caravan into the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge to "howl up" the wolves with Red Wolf Recovery Program staff. Learn about endangered red wolves and get the chance of a lifetime to hear their harmonious howls. Flashlight helpful but not necessary. Creef Cut parking area. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost \$30. Fish and Wildlife Service staff



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What's happening



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Monarch Butterfly

Manteo Candlelight Tour (D)

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Refuge at Night (H)

This trip is a rare opportunity to visit the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge at night using spotlights to watch for deer, bear, birds and other wildlife. Transportation provided. Bring insect repellent, snacks and drinks. Creef Cut parking area. 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Cost \$30. Refuge volunteers

Friday, November 9

Gulf Stream Pelagic Birding **NEW!** (B)

Join veteran seabirder, Captain Brian Patteson and crew aboard his 61-foot boat Stormy Petrel II for an exciting trip to the Gulf

Stream off Oregon Inlet. The waters off Cape Hatteras are the best place in the world to see the endangered Black-capped Petrel and a variety of other seabirds including Cory's, Greater and Audubon's Shearwaters, Wilson's Storm-Petrel, and Pomarine Jaeger, just to name a few. There also is a good chance to see a variety of whales, dolphins, sea turtles and other interesting marine life. Participants should bring their own lunch and be prepared for a full day at sea and the possibility of some rough water and spray. This trip is not recommended for children under 12. Binoculars are essential, telescopes are not appropriate, but do bring cameras and telephoto lenses if you have them. Broad Creek Marina. 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost \$135. Brian Patteson and Kate Sutherland

Red-cockaded Woodpecker at Palmetto-Peartree Preserve (I)

Travel to the "P-3" where several colonies of endangered Red-cockaded Woodpeckers are being studied. Most of the sites are visible from the network of unpaved roads. Also look for six other

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species of woodpeckers and various songbirds that can be found in this area. 4x4 useful. Shell service station at west end of Alligator River Bridge. 6 a.m. to 11 a.m. Easy. Cost \$30. John Hammond

Pea Island "Duck Hunt" (7)

Ever wondered what a duck hunt is like? Come experience the hunt of a lifetime on this trip. Participants will learn about decoys and ducks and have the opportunity to sit in a blind on this simulated duck hunt in the refuge photography blind. Decoys will be placed, calls will be used, and the anticipation of ducks coming to the decoys will be experienced by all! Trip will start promptly to minimize disturbance to the birds. Bring cameras, no guns. Pea Island Refuge Visitor Center. 6:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Easy. Cost \$20. Brian VanDruten

South Pond (6)

Experienced birders will delight in this rare opportunity to bird an area of Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge usually closed to visitors. Bring your own scope for this trip designed for experienced birders. Pea Island refuge headquarters. 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Moderate. Cost \$20. Kent Fiala

North Pond (7)

This program for beginning birders will take them along the south and north dikes of North Pond on Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge. North Pond Trail (south dike of North Pond) is maintained for easy walking and is universally accessible. Pea Island Refuge Visitor Center. 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Easy. Cost \$20. Ricky Davis

Old Oregon Inlet Coast Guard Station (8)

Look for land birds around the historic old Oregon Inlet Coast Guard Station. Walk sand flats to find terns, shorebirds, possible Piping Plover. Explore the rock jetty for possible early Purple Sandpiper and view the inlet for waterfowl. Check the ocean for seabirds. Oregon Inlet bridge south parking lot. 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Moderate to Strenuous. Cost \$20. Lex Glover

Roanoke Island Birding (F)

Explore Roanoke Island birding hotspots, including the historic Elizabethan Gardens and its collection of priceless statuary, interesting plants and butterflies (weather permitting). Lots of photo



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Osprey

opportunities. Find birds that are year-round residents or late fall migrants. Possibilities include a wide assortment of warblers, vireos, wrens, orioles and sparrows. The Elizabethan Gardens parking area. 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Easy. Cost \$30. Jeff Lewis

Oregon Inlet Marsh Birds (9)

Briefly search the flats of Oregon Inlet for shorebirds, particularly Piping Plovers. Then wade the marsh in search of Clapper Rails, marsh sparrows (including the Sharp-tails) and wrens (including Sedge). Walking in calf-deep water is required. 4x4 transportation is provided. South end of Oregon Inlet Fishing Center next to the ship's propeller on display. 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Strenuous. Cost \$25. John Fussell, Chris Eley

Ocracoke Island (2)

Experience the bird life of this wonderful 15-mile-long barrier island, which - except for the village at the southwest end - is entirely Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Target birds will be Marbled Godwits, Piping Plover, Red Knots, White

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Ibis, Common Moorhen, Hooded Merganser, and, hopefully, spectacular views of Northern Gannets feeding just off the shore. Look for waterfowl, gulls and pelicans during the 45-minute ferry crossing from Hatteras to Ocracoke island, if traveling from the north. Stops will include pine woods, marshes, the beach and South Point. Will return to ferry dock on the northeast end of Ocracoke no later than 2:45 to ride the 3 p.m. ferry back to Hatteras. Bring a lunch and beverages. 4x4 vehicle desirable, but not required. Arrive at Hatteras ferry dock by 6:15 a.m. to line up for 7 a.m. ferry. Meet at Ocracoke Campground parking lot, approximately nine miles down the only paved road from the Ocracoke/Hatteras ferry terminal. 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Easy. Cost \$20. Peter Vankevich

Mattamuskeet National Wildlife Refuge Birding (M)

Meet at the Mattamuskeet Lodge and learn about the refuge before departing for the

Causeway, Entrance Road, and Wildlife Drive to view thousands of waterfowl as well as shorebirds, waders and raptors. Explore other parts of the refuge as time allows. Mattamuskeet Lodge. 8 a.m. to noon. Moderate. Cost \$20. Ernie Marshall

From Sea to Sound NEW! (7)

How many habitat types are on Pea Island? What wildlife species does each habitat support? How much management does each habitat require to support good populations? Take a walk across the Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge from ocean to salt marsh and learn about the refuge, its habitats and its management. Pea Island Refuge Visitor Center. 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Moderate. Cost \$20. Bob Glennon

"Pelican Island" Safari (A)

Led by ninth-generation captain Stuart Wescott, cruise from Wanchese Harbor through Old House Channel to a dredge spoil island known



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What's happening

locally as "Pelican Island," a colonial waterbird and pelican nesting area near Oregon Inlet. This trip is suitable for all and the 53-foot boat is equipped with a restroom. Parking lot at Wanchese Seafood Co. in Wanchese. 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Cost \$25. Stuart Wescott

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Restoring Our Shores NEW! (D)

Learn about a variety of North Carolina coastal shoreline restoration projects from Chuck Wilson, the Wilmington District Army Corps of Engineers Ecosystem Restoration Coordinator, in an auditorium presentation. Then, join him in a leisurely boardwalk tour of Roanoke Island Festival Park marshes and observe resident plants, birds and marine life. Experience the award-winning marsh restoration and protection project on Shallowbag Bay and hear about some of the discoveries made along the way while working in this sensitive wind-tide driven system. Roanoke Island Festival Park. 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Cost \$20.

Maritime Forest Kayak (14)

Kitty Hawk Woods, one of only three maritime forests remaining on the Outer Banks, offers a unique experience as you kayak through an amber-colored creek under a canopy of Live oaks and Loblolly pines. Reptiles such as turtles and snakes are very common in this area, as well as birds such as herons, egrets, woodpeckers, kingfishers and ducks. This is a great kayak tour even on windy days due to the shelter provided by the tall trees of the forest. Kitty Hawk Sports in Kitty Hawk. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost \$35. Kitty Hawk Kayak and Surf School

Cape Hatteras (4)

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Bodie Island Lighthouse (10)

Look for songbirds around the lighthouse and on wooded trails, and for waterbirds from the boardwalk by the ponds. Also, discussion and demonstration of "digiscoping." Bodie Island Lighthouse by restroom. 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Moderate. Cost \$20.



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Gray Fox

What's happening

South Pond (6)

This is a rare opportunity to bird an area on Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge usually closed to visitors. Pea Island refuge headquarters. 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Moderate. Cost \$20. Henry and Elizabeth Link

Kitty Hawk Bay Sunset Kayak Tour (13)

Enjoy a classic Carolina sunset over Kitty Hawk Bay. Navigate by the amber light of the harvest setting sun. Pass through tall cordgrass fields and listen for the mysterious sounds of the night marsh. Dock of the Bay Marina. 3 p.m to 5:30 p.m. Cost \$35. Kitty Hawk Kites

Keynote Dinner (D)

Scott Weidensaul, author of more than two dozen books on natural history will give the keynote presentation based on his book, "Return to Wild America: A Yearlong Search for the Continent's Natural Soul." In 1955, naturalists Roger Tory Peterson and James Fisher published the bestselling book "Wild America", chronicling a 30,000-mile trip across North America. Fifty years later, Weidensaul

retraced their epic journey, to see what has been gained and lost, and to catch a glimpse of what the future holds for wildlife and wild lands. From the great seabird cliffs of Newfoundland to the cypress swamps of Florida, from the cloud forests of the Sierra Madre in Mexico to lonely islands far out in the Bering Sea, Weidensaul searched out the wild heart of the continent - and found it strong. Roanoke Island Festival Park. 6 p.m. \$30

Saturday, November 10

Gulf Stream Pelagic Birding NEW! (B)

Join veteran seabirder, Captain Brian Patteson and crew aboard his 61-foot boat Stormy Petrel II for an exciting trip to the Gulf Stream off Oregon Inlet. The waters off Cape Hatteras are the best place in the world to see the endangered Black-capped Petrel and a variety of other seabirds including Cory's, Greater and Audubon's Shearwaters, Wilson's Storm-Petrel, and Pomarine Jaeger, just to name a few. There also is a good chance to see a variety of whales, dolphins, sea turtles and other interesting marine life.



What's happening

Participants will need to bring their own lunch and be prepared for a full day at sea and the possibility of some rough water and spray. This trip is not recommended for children under 12. Binoculars are essential, telescopes are not appropriate, but do bring cameras and telephoto lenses if you have them. Broad Creek Marina. 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost \$135. Brian Patteson and Kate Sutherland

Red-cockaded Woodpeckers at Air Force Bombing Range (C)

Take an early morning trip to watch the awakening of endangered Red-cockaded Woodpeckers. Travel into a colony area on the US Air Force's Dare County Range to learn about the management and ecology of this unique species in its unusual pond pine pocosin habitat. Also look for six other species of woodpeckers and various songbirds that can be seen in this area. Unpaved roads; 4x4 recommended. Outer Banks Welcome Center on Roanoke Island at east end of Virginia Dare Bridge. 6 a.m. to 11 a.m. Moderate. Cost \$30. Robert Montgomery

South Pond "Digiscoping" (6)

This is a rare opportunity to bird an of Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge area usually closed to visitors. During this program, there also will be discussion and demonstration of "digiscoping." First hour will be spent ocean-watching and searching for/identifying ocean and beach birds. Pea Island refuge headquarters. 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Moderate. Cost \$20. Jeff Pippen, Will Cook

Marsh Birds of Bodie Island (10)

Work the edges of Bodie Island's extensive marshes in search of rails, bitterns, marsh sparrows and wrens. Walking in calf-deep water is possible. Bodie Island Lighthouse by restroom. 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Strenuous. Cost \$20. Steve Shultz

Oregon Inlet Marsh Birds (9)

Briefly search the flats of Oregon Inlet for shorebirds, particularly Piping Plovers. Then wade the marsh in search of Clapper Rails, marsh sparrows, including the Sharp-tails, and wrens, including Sedge. Walking in calf-deep water is required. 4x4 transportation provided. South



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What's happening

end of Oregon Inlet Fishing Center next to the ship's propeller on display. 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Strenuous. Cost \$25. John Fussell, Chris Eley, Kent Fiala

North Pond (7)

This program includes basic bird identification and the use of telescopes. Bird the south and north dikes of North Pond on Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge. North Pond Trail (south dike of North Pond) is maintained for easy walking and is universally accessible. Pea Island Refuge Visitor Center. 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Easy. Cost \$20. John and Paula Wright

Old Oregon Inlet Coast Guard Station (8)

Look for land birds around the historic old Oregon Inlet Coast Guard Station. Walk sand flats to find terns, shorebirds, possible Piping Plover. Explore the rock jetty for possible early Purple Sandpiper and view the inlet for waterfowl. Check the ocean for seabirds. Oregon Inlet bridge south parking lot. 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Moderate to Strenuous. Cost \$20. Ricky Davis

Ghost Town Birding on Portsmouth Island (1)

Bird the abandoned village on Portsmouth Island, now part of the Cape Lookout National Seashore and maintained by the National Park Service. A chartered vessel will transport participants from Ocracoke to the soundside of the island. There is a large sand flat that, depending

on conditions, may contain hundreds or even thousands of shorebirds, including Piping Plover. Bring appropriate footwear for walking in water and dress in layers. Bring water and snacks. To reach the site from the north, participants must take the 7 a.m. ferry from Hatteras. Ocracoke Ferry Terminal in the village of Ocracoke on the southwest end of the island. 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Moderate to strenuous. Cost \$40. Peter Vankevich

Ghost Town Exploration (1)

Explore the natural and cultural history of Portsmouth Island village, a modern day ghost town maintained by the National Park Service. Participants can chose between birding the island (see Ghost Town Birding on Portsmouth Island listed above) or taking this tour. Includes a chartered vessel from Ocracoke to Portsmouth. Bring water and snacks and prepare for mosquitoes. Ocracoke Ferry Terminal-South. 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Moderate to rigorous. Cost \$50. Dave Frum

Hatteras Spit (3)

A three-mile ride through shrub thickets, salt marshes, and sandy flats of Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Area much changed by Hurricane Isabel in 2003. Marsh sparrows, wrens, herons, egrets, variety of shorebirds, including Piping Plovers, possible. 4x4 transportation is provided. Limited to nine participants. Parking area adjacent to Hatteras Ferry



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office/dock. Avoid ferry lines. 8 a.m to 11:30 a.m. Easy to Moderate. Cost \$25. Taylor Piephoff, Susan Campbell, Neal Moore

"Pelican Island" Safari (A)

Led by ninth-generation captain Stuart Wescott, cruise from Wanchese Harbor through Old House Channel to a dredge spoil island known locally as "Pelican Island," a colonial waterbird and pelican nesting area near Oregon Inlet. This trip is suitable for all and the 53-foot boat is equipped with a restroom. Wanchese Seafood Co. parking lot in Wanchese. 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Cost \$25. Stuart Wescott

Mashoes Marshes

Kayak NEW! (G)

Kayak with a local guide through the backwater creeks of the Mashoes community. This is a lesser-traveled portion of the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge, making it one of the most pristine kayak locations on the Outer Banks. The trip combines open water and narrow, winding paths through cordgrass fields. Participants will also have the opportunity to explore a remote beach and maritime forest, on foot, along the Albemarle Sound. Mashoes Road (See written directions for specific location). 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Cost \$30. Coastal Kayak

Artfully Wild!

SeaTree Gallery's Fins, Feathers and Fur exhibit includes paintings, sculptures and photography depicting the wealth of wildlife found on and near the Outer Banks. Located at Whalebone Junction in Nags Head. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Free

Great Outdoors Photography

Love the pictures in Take a Walk on the Wild Side? The original prints will be on display and available for purchase at the Yellowhouse Gallery at milepost 11 on the "Beach Road" in Nags Head. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free

Bodie Island Lighthouse (10)

This program ideal for beginning birders. Look for songbirds around the lighthouse and on wooded trails, and for water birds from the boardwalk by the ponds. Bodie Island Lighthouse by restroom. 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Moderate. Cost \$20. Steve Shultz

Cape Hatteras (4)

The Point, the Salt Pond and the sandy beach are important areas of Cape Hatteras National Seashore for viewing unusual gulls, seabirds, shorebirds, ducks, waders and raptors. Brown Pelicans are sure to be seen. Black Skimmers and American Oystercatchers are possible. Learn to separate the six

possible species of gulls and five species of terns. 4x4 transportation is provided. Cape Hatteras Lighthouse visitor parking area. Limited to nine participants. 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Easy. Cost \$25. Eric Dean, Bunnie Doolittle, Pat Moore

South Pond (6)

This is a rare opportunity to bird an area of Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge usually closed to visitors. This program will scope South Pond specialties. Pea Island refuge headquarters. 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Moderate. Cost \$20. John and Paula Wright



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Great Egret

What's happening

Insight into Owls NEW! (D)

Everyone loves owls - the beauty, mystery and charm of these nocturnal birds. But science is still unlocking many of the secrets of owl biology and ecology, and there is a great deal still to be discovered about them. Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival featured keynote speaker Scott Weidensaul will share the enigmatic world of owls during this workshop. He will focus on northern saw-whet owls, a little-known species he has studied for more than a decade. He will reveal some of the surprising discoveries he and his volunteer research team have made. Roanoke Island Festival Park. 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Cost \$25. Scott Weidensaul

Hummingbird Banding (5)

A licensed bander will demonstrate techniques for capturing and banding hummingbirds at a residence where the birds frequent year-round. Live birds will be used if they cooperate. Cape Hatteras School at the tennis courts. 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Easy. Cost \$20. Susan Campbell

Owl Prowl (H)

Hoot up Barred Owls, Screech Owls and, maybe even, a Great Horned Owl. Observe classic owl

behavior. Program will begin with a brief program on natural history, distribution and identification of local species. Creef Cut parking area. 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Easy. Cost \$20. Ann Marie Chapman

Red Wolf Howling (H)

Caravan into the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge to "howl up" the wolves with Red Wolf Recovery Program staff. Learn about endangered red wolves and get the chance of a lifetime to hear their harmonious howls. Flashlight helpful but not necessary. Creef Cut parking area. 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost \$30. US Fish and Wildlife Service staff

Manteo Candlelight Tour (D)

Travel back in time to Victorian-era Manteo and experience the area's truly unique living history. Join a local guide for an evening stroll through Manteo's charming streets, while viewing historic homes and listening to local lore, with maybe even a ghost story or two! 6:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. Island Ice, next to Carolina Outdoors in downtown Manteo. Cost \$30. Francis D'Ambr

Refuge at Night (H)

This trip is a rare opportunity to visit the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge at night



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American Alligator

What's happening

using spotlights to watch for deer, bear, birds and other wildlife. Transportation provided. Bring insect repellent, snacks and drinks. Creef Cut parking area. 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Cost \$30. Refuge volunteers

Aquarium After Hours (E)

What could be more perfect than ending the day with an unhurried stroll through the Aquarium on Roanoke Island after hours? The answer is simple. Taking that stroll with a glass of wine, beer or other beverage while nibbling a little cheese, fruit or sweets. Visit with old friends or make a few new ones at this unique social event. 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Cost \$10.

Sunday, November 11

Due to possible traffic congestion related to the running of the second OBX Marathon, please allow additional travel time for programs. Traffic delays can be up to an hour.

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Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge Birding (H)

Explore the Refuge's extensive farm fields for raptors such as Bald Eagles, as well as for birds in grassland and roadside vegetation. Butterflies possible, weather permitting. Red wolf and black bear sightings possible. Creef Cut parking area. 7:30



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What's happening

a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Moderate. Cost \$30. Jeff Lewis

Hatteras Spit (3)

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parking area. 8 a.m. to noon. Easy. Cost \$25. Eric Dean, Bunny Doolittle, Pat Moore

Corolla Birding (14)

Heritage Park and the North Carolina Estuarine Reserve are among the best "migrant traps" on the Outer Banks. Sedge and Marsh Wrens, late migrating and wintering sparrows are possible. Wetland boardwalks can produce King Rails, Virginia Rails or Soras. Tidal flats may yield Willets, yellowlegs and other shorebirds. Outer Banks Center for Wildlife Education in Currituck Heritage Park. 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Easy. Cost \$25. Mark Buckler

Upper Miltail Creek Canoe Trip (H)

Explore this narrow, winding creek through the heart of Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge. Sheltered paddling will give participants a close look at the wildlife that calls the Refuge home, including Pileated Woodpeckers, river otter and a variety of reptiles and amphibians. A shuttle will be provided back to the launch site. Bring lunch and hydration. Creef Cut parking area. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost \$40. US Fish and Wildlife Service staff

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Registration pages are 45 and 46.



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Black Bear

Plan ahead — find out distances between program sites

From Buxton to ...

- Alligator River Bridge service station 2.25 hours
- Aquarium on Roanoke Island 1.5 hours
- Boat ramp next to bridge, across from Pirate's Cove 1.5 hours
- Bodie Island Lighthouse 1 hour
- Broad Creek Marina 1.5 hours
- Cape Hatteras Lighthouse 5 minutes
- Cape Hatteras Secondary School 10 minutes
- Creef Cut parking area 1.5 hours
- Creswell Wildlife Boat Ramp 2.5 hours
- Dock of the Bay Marina 1.5 hours
- Elizabethan Gardens 1.5 hours
- Fisherman's Wharf Restaurant parking lot 1.5 hours
- Hatteras Ferry Dock 25 minutes
- Heritage Park (Wildlife Education Center and Whalehead Club) 2.25 hours
- Kitty Hawk Sports in Kitty Hawk 1.5 hours
- Mackay Island Refuge office (including 45-minute ferry ride) 3 hours
- Mashoes Road 1.75 hours
- Mattamuskeet Lodge 2.75 hours
- Nags Head Woods 1.25 hours
- Ocracoke Ferry terminal-south (includes 45-minute ferry ride) 1.25 minutes
- Old Oregon Inlet Coast Guard Station 50 minutes
- Oregon Inlet Fishing Center 1 hour
- Pea Island Visitor Center 40 minutes
- Pea Island Refuge Headquarters 40 minutes
- Pettigrew State Park office 2.75 hours
- Roanoke Island Festival Park 1.5 hours



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Hummingbird

- Virginia Dare Memorial Bridge 1.25 hours
- Walter B. Jones Center for the Sounds 2 hours

From Kitty Hawk to...

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Wings Over Water

The Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival is sponsored through a partnership formed between federal and state agencies, local businesses and nonprofits, all of which recognize and support the promotion of the region's unique environment and abundance of wildlife. Known far and wide for its beaches, fishing and lighthouses, visitors often are unaware of the great paddling, birding and natural history programs offered year 'round. In addition to being a premier birding area, black bears, alligators, red wolves and other wildlife also inhabit the region. From Nov. 6 to Nov. 11, 2007, Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival will give birders many opportunities to add to their life lists; paddlers can discover the wonderful inland waterways; and natural history enthusiasts can learn about the history of the area, take a photography class or try their hand at carving. Come join us for a walk on the wild side.

Coastal Wildlife Refuge Society

The Coastal Wildlife Refuge Society is a non-profit organization established and incorporated in 1989 by a group of local residents with the mission to generate funds to support refuge programs and activities and to assist in the recruitment of Refuge volunteers. The Society designed, constructed, and staffs the Visitor Center and Gift Shop for Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge. It also provides support for the refuges' large and diverse volunteer program and for educational and outreach activities. In recent years, due to declining budgets for US Fish and Wildlife Service which manages the refuges, the Society has expanded its support to help fund other needed projects.



Outer Banks Chamber of Commerce

The Outer Banks Chamber of Commerce is a nonprofit membership organization representing 1183 businesses on North Carolina's Outer Banks. The Chamber serves the business community in Currituck County, Dare County (including Hatteras Island) and on Ocracoke Island in Hyde County.

The goal of the Outer Banks Chamber of Commerce is to promote programs that enhance the community, offer resources that strengthen local businesses as well as the economy, and to create partnerships that improve the quality of life for residents and visitors. In addition to the many networking and educational events that bring business leaders together, the Chamber also actively interfaces with the community at-large through such events as the annual Chamber-sponsored Health Fair. The Chamber publishes and distributes the popular Outer Banks Living Magazine, a guide to what it is like to live and work on the Outer Banks, and the Outer Banks Detailed Area Street Map. More Chamber information can be found on-line at www.outerbankschamber.com



US Fish and Wildlife Service

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's mission is, working with others, to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife, and plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people. It is the only federal agency with that primary mission. The Service's major responsibilities are for migratory birds, endangered species, certain marine mammals, and freshwater and anadromous fish. The agency's roots stretch back to 1871, when Congress established the U.S. Fish

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Commission to study the decrease of the nation's food fishes and recommend ways to reverse the decline. Since that time, the agency has been combined with other wildlife offices and today is the principal federal wildlife and fisheries research agency. Notable former employees include Jay N. "Ding" Darling, designer of the first Federal Duck Stamp, and Rachel Carson, author of *Silent Spring*. Its nearly 700 field units include national wildlife refuges, national fish hatcheries and management assistance offices, law enforcement and ecological services field stations.



Carolina Bird Club

The Carolina Bird Club, Inc. is a nonprofit educational and scientific association founded in 1937. Membership is open to those interested in the study and conservation of wildlife, particularly birds. Dues, contributions, and bequests to the Club may be deductible from state and federal income and estate taxes. The Club meets three times a year (Spring, Fall and Winter) at different locations in North or South Carolina, or occasionally in neighboring states.



Outer Banks Sentinel

The Outer Banks Sentinel, owned by Womack News-



pers Inc., is the only newspaper in the region to focus its news resources on Dare County events, people and politics. Published twice weekly, the mission of the paper is to serve the people of Dare County by providing reliable news, actively supporting a strong community through participation in community events and to be the area's political watch dog. The Sentinel is a sponsor and/or partner in a number of events in addition to Wings Over Water Wildlife Festival, including The Land of Beginnings Festival which celebrates the area's cultural heritage and promoted heritage tourism.

Roanoke Island Festival Park

Roanoke Island Festival Park is an interactive family attraction that celebrates the first attempt at colonization in the New World. The centerpiece of the 25-acre island park adjacent to the Manteo waterfront, is Elizabeth II, a representation of one of seven English ships from the Roanoke Voyages of 1585. Garbed in Elizabethan attire, sailors greet visitors and introduce them to sixteenth century seafaring life. A Settlement Site, the Roanoke Adventure Museum, "Legend of Two-Path" film, Art Gallery, Fossil Pit, Museum Store and marshside boardwalks also enhance the visitor experience. During the summer, Roanoke Island Festival Park's Outdoor Pavilion is the site for nightly drama, dance and musical performances by the North Carolina School of the Arts. The Outer Banks History Center is located on site. Numerous lectures, historical, visual and performing arts events are scheduled throughout the year. Information including admission charge and current events can be found at www.roanokeisland.com



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Old Oregon Inlet Coast Guard Station 45 minutes
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# Tks	Event Time	Tuesday, November 6	Fee	Total
	7:00 am-10:00 am	Bird Photography	\$30	
	9:00 am-1:00 pm	Deco Carving	\$20	
	10:00 am-6:00 pm	Artfully Wild! Art Exhibit	FREE	
	10:00 am-5:00 pm	Great Outdoors Photography Exhibit	FREE	
	12:00 pm-3:30 pm	Backcountry Expedition	\$50	
	6:15 pm-8:15 pm	Marine Candlelight Tour	\$30	
Tuesday Total				

# Tks	Event Time	Wednesday, November 7	Fee	Total
	7:30 am-11:00 am	South Pond Birding	\$20	
	8:00 am-11:00 am	Cowella Birding	\$25	
	8:00 am-11:00 am	Alligator River NWR Birding	\$30	
	8:00 am-11:00 am	Mattamuskeet NWR Birding	\$20	
	9:00 am-11:00 am	Nags Head Woods Preserve	\$20	
	10:00 am-6:00 pm	Artfully Wild! Art Exhibit	FREE	
	10:00 am-5:00 pm	Great Outdoors Photography Exhibit	FREE	
	11:00 am-1:00 pm	The Maze Kayak Tour	\$35	
	1:00 pm-3:30 pm	South Pond Birding	\$20	
	2:00 pm-3:30 pm	Shifting Sands	\$20	
	3:00 pm-5:30 pm	Kitty Hawk Bay Sunset Kayak Tour	\$35	
	4:00 pm-7:00 pm	Nature Photography	\$30	
	4:30 pm-7:30 pm	Owl Preval	\$20	
Wednesday Total				

# Tks	Event Time	Thursday, November 8	Fee	Total
	6:00 am-11:00 am	Red-cockaded Woodpeckers at Palmetto-Pearlree Preserve	\$30	
	6:30 am-10:00 am	Pea Island "Duck Hunt"	\$20	
	7:00 am-10:00 am	Bird Photography	\$30	
	7:30 am-11:00 am	North Pond Duck Identification	\$20	
	7:30 am-11:00 am	South Pond Birding	\$20	
	7:30 am-11:30 am	Roanoke Island Birding	\$30	

# Tks	Event Time	Thursday, November 8 Cont'd	Fee	Total
	8:00 am-12:00 pm	Cape Hatteras Birding	\$25	
	8:00 am-11:00 am	Alligator River NWR Birding	\$30	
	9:00 am-11:00 am	The Maze Kayak Tour	\$35	
	10:00 am-6:00 pm	Artfully Wild! Art Exhibit	FREE	
	10:00 am-5:00 pm	Great Outdoors Photography Exhibit	FREE	
	10:00 am-12:00 pm	Scuppernon River Canoe Tour	FREE	
	12:30 pm-3:30 pm	Mackay Island Refuge Birding	\$20	
	1:00 pm-3:00 pm	Scuppernon River Pontoon Boat Tour	\$45	
	1:00 pm-4:30 pm	South Pond Birding	\$20	
	2:00 pm-4:00 pm	Big Tree Hike	FREE	
	3:00 pm-5:30 pm	Kitty Hawk Bay Sunset Kayak Tour	\$35	
	5:00 pm-7:00 pm	Red Wolf Howling	\$30	
	6:15 pm-8:15 pm	Marine Candlelight Tour	\$30	
	7:00 pm-10:00 pm	Refuge at Night	\$30	
Thursday Total				

# Tks	Event Time	Friday, November 9	Fee	Total
	6:00 am-5:00 pm	Gulf Stream Pelagic Birding	\$135	
	6:00 am-11:00 am	Red-cockaded Woodpeckers at the Palmetto-Pearlree Preserve	\$30	
	6:30 am-10:00 am	Pea Island "Duck Hunt"	\$20	
	7:30 am-11:00 am	South Pond Birding	\$20	
	7:30 am-11:30 am	North Pond Birding	\$20	
	7:30 am-11:30 am	Old Oregon Inlet Coast Guard Station	\$20	
	7:30 am-11:30 am	Roanoke Island Birding	\$30	
	7:30 am-11:30 am	Oregon Inlet Marsh Birds	\$25	
	8:00 am-5:00 pm	Ocracoke Island Birding	\$20	
	8:00 am-12:00 pm	Mattamuskeet NWR Birding	\$20	
	8:00 am-10:00 am	From Sea to Sound	\$20	
	9:00 am-11:30 am	Pelican Island Safari	\$25	
	10:00 am-6:00 pm	Artfully Wild! Art Exhibit	FREE	
	10:00 am-5:00 pm	Great Outdoors Photography Exhibit	FREE	
	10:00 am-11:30 am	Restoring Our Shores	\$20	
	11:00 am-1:00 pm	Maritime Forest Kayak	\$35	
	1:00 pm-5:00 pm	Cape Hatteras Birding	\$25	
	1:00 pm-5:00 pm	Bodie Island Lighthouse	\$20	
	1:00 pm-4:30 pm	South Pond Birding	\$20	
	3:00 pm-5:30 pm	Kitty Hawk Bay Sunset Kayak Tour	\$35	
	6:00 pm	KEYNOTE: Featuring Scott Weidensaul at Roanoke Island Festival Park	\$30	
Friday Total				

# Tkts	Event Time	<i>Saturday, November 10</i>	Fee	Total
	6:00 am-5:00 pm	Gulf Stream Pelagic Birding	\$135	
	6:00 am-11:00 am	Red-cockaded Woodpeckers at the Air Force Bombing Range	\$30	
	7:30 am-11:00 am	South Pond "Digiscoping"	\$20	
	7:30 am-11:30 am	Marsh Birds of Bodie Island	\$20	
	7:30 am-11:30 am	Oregon Inlet Marsh Birds	\$25	
	7:30 am-11:30 am	North Pond Birding	\$20	
	7:30 am-11:30 am	Old Oregon Inlet Coast Guard Stn.	\$20	
	8:00 am-2:00 pm	Ghost Town Birding on Portsmouth Island	\$40	
	8:00 am-2:00 pm	Ghost Town Exploration	\$50	
	8:00 am-11:30 am	Hatteras Spit Birding	\$25	
	9:00 am-11:30 am	Pelican Island Safari	\$25	
	9:00 am-11:30 am	Mashoes Marshes Kayak	\$30	
	10:00 am-6:00 pm	Artfully Wild! Art Exhibit	FREE	
	10:00 am-5:00 pm	Great Outdoors Photography Exhibit	FREE	
	1:00 pm-5:00 pm	Bodie Island Lighthouse Birding	\$20	
	1:00 pm-5:00 pm	North Pond Birding	\$20	
	1:00 pm-5:00 pm	Cape Hatteras Birding	\$25	
	1:00 pm-4:30 pm	South Pond Birding	\$20	
	1:00 pm-2:30 pm	Insight Into Owls	\$25	
	3:00 pm-4:30 pm	Hummingbird Banding	\$20	
	4:30 pm-7:30 pm	Owl Prowl	\$20	
	5:00 pm-7:00 pm	Red Wolf Howling	\$30	
	6:15 pm-8:15 pm	Manteo Candlelight Tour	\$30	
	7:00 pm-10:00 pm	Refuge at Night	\$30	
	7:00 pm-9:00 pm	Aquarium After Hours	\$10	
Saturday Total:				

# Tkts	Event Time	<i>Sunday, November 11</i>	Fee	Total
	6:00 am-11:00 am	Red-cockaded Woodpeckers at the Air Force Range	\$30	
	7:30 am-11:00 am	South Pond Birding	\$20	
	7:30 am-11:00 am	North Pond Birding	\$20	
	7:30 am-10:30 am	Alligator River Refuge Birding	\$30	
	8:00 am-11:30 am	Hatteras Spit Birding	\$25	
	8:00 am-12:00 pm	Cape Hatteras Birding	\$25	
	8:00 am-11:00 am	Corolla Birding	\$25	
	9:00 am-2:00 pm	Upper Milltail Creek Canoe Tour	\$40	
	10:00 am-6:00 pm	Artfully Wild! Art Exhibit	FREE	
	10:00 am-5:00 pm	Great Outdoors Photography Exhibit	FREE	
Sunday Total:				

FESTIVAL REGISTRATION FEES

Tuesday Total:	
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