

St. Marks NWR - January to April 2017 Calendar

Call the refuge at 850-925-6121 for Reservations and Information.

Tots on Trails—for pre-school children and caregivers | Baby and Me—for caregivers of babies under 1 year old

JANUARY

1—Happy New Year!—Visitor Center OPEN! No First Sunday presentation but come for a Behind the Gates Birding and Wildlife tour with Matt and Cyndi Johnstone—9:00 a.m. to noon. Limit 25. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

5—Baby and Me—11:00 a.m. in Nature’s Classroom 7—Digital Photography Class—9:00 a.m.—Noon. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

10—Behind the Gates Birding and Wildlife tour with Matt and Cyndi Johnstone — 9:00 a.m. to noon. Limit 10. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

12—Tots on Trails—11:00 a.m. Meet at Nature’s Classroom for a 45-minute ranger-led walk for preschool age children. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

14—Winter Birding Tours —9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Behind the gates with Don Morrow. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

15—e-Tram tour—1:00 p.m. limit 10, call to register 16—Martin Luther King Day FEE FREE—Visitor Center OPEN

21—St. Marks Photo Club—9:00 a.m. in Nature’s Classroom.

FEBRUARY

2—Baby and Me—11:00 a.m. in Nature’s Classroom.

4—WHO! Wildlife Heritage and Outdoors Festival, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Learn all about the different recreational opportunities offered by St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge.

5—Behind the Gates Birding and Wildlife tour with Matt and Cyndi Johnstone—9:00 a.m. to noon. Limit 25. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

5—First Sunday at the Refuge—2:00 p.m. in Nature’s Classroom—Being a Wildlife Veterinarian for the National Wildlife Refuge System with Dr. Samantha Gibbs. Learn how our vets protect wildlife.

9—Tots on Trails—11:00 a.m. at Nature’s Classroom. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

11—St. Marks Shutterbugs!—1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

13—Behind the Gates Birding and Wildlife tour with Matt and Cyndi Johnstone—9:00 a.m. to noon. Limit 10. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

18—St. Marks Photo Club—9:00 a.m. in Nature’s Classroom

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19—e-Tram tour—1:00 p.m. limit 10, call to register

20—President’s Day FEE FREE—Visitor Center OPEN

25—8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Get Outdoors FL! Family Fun Day at Tom Brown Park. Register for the 5K Race and Mile Critter Course online: bit.ly/gofffamilyfunday.

MARCH

2—Baby and Me—11:00 a.m. in Nature’s Classroom.

3—Civil War Re-enactors march from the Lighthouse as part of the Battle of Natural Bridge history.

4—Digital Photography Class—9:00 a.m.—Noon. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

5—Behind the Gates Birding and Wildlife tour with Matt and Cyndi Johnstone—9:00 a.m. to noon. Limit 25. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

5—First Sunday at the Refuge at 2:00 p.m. in Nature's Classroom—Celebrating the legacy of Aldo Leopold's land ethic and how to apply it to present and future land, water, and wildlife protection with Gail Fishman.

9—Tots on Trails—11:00 a.m. at Nature's Classroom. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

11—Volunteer Recognition Luncheon

12 – St. Marks Unit and Panacea Unit gates will open at 6 am and close at 9 pm for Daylight Savings Time.

13—Behind the Gates Birding and Wildlife tour with Matt and Cyndi Johnstone—9:00 a.m. to noon. Limit 10. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

15—Refuge pools reopen to boats with trolling motors.

18—St. Marks Photo Club—9:00 a.m. in Nature's Classroom.

19—e-Tram tour—1:00 p.m. limit 10, call to register.

APRIL

2—First Sunday at the Refuge—TBA

7 - 9—Port Leon area closed for the Youth Turkey Hunt.

6—Baby and Me—11:00 a.m. in Nature's Classroom.

11-15—Spring Gobbler Hunt on Wakulla and Panacea Units.

13—Tots on Trails—11:00 a.m. at Nature's Classroom. Call 850-925-6121 to register.

15—St. Marks Photo Club—9:00 a.m. in Nature's Classroom.

16—e-Tram tour—1:00 p.m. limit 10, call to register

29—Friends of St. Marks Wildlife Refuge Annual Meeting