

Ages 13 - Adult

OCONEE RIVERS AUDUBON SOCIETY MONTHLY MEETING – Join the local chapter of the Audubon society for their monthly meetings. Non members are welcome! Ages 13-adult. September 4, October 2, & November 6, 7-9 p.m. ENSAT. No pre-registration required. Free.

OCONEE RIVERS AUDUBON SOCIETY FALL BIRD WALKS - Join the local Audubon society for its fall bird hikes. Bring binoculars and your interest. Open to everyone, from beginners to experienced birders. For more dates and locations, visit www.oconeeriversaudubon.org



QUARTERLY VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION – From helping with field study programs to working at the front desk - discover the many things you can do by volunteering at the nature center. Pre-registration required. Ages 18 and up. Saturday, September 6, 11am-noon. ENSAT. Free.

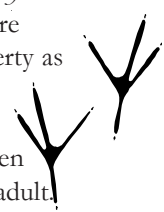
ANIMAL CARE ORIENTATION- Volunteer to help care for the critters at SCNC. Orientation will give volunteers a general overview of duties and will be followed by animal care training. Pre-registration required. Ages 18 and up. Saturday, September 13, 3-4 pm. ENSAT. Free.



For Families

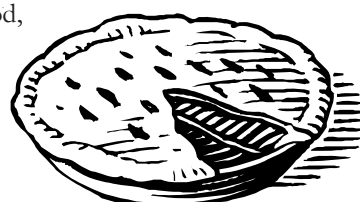
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NATURALIST'S WALKS – Join Nature Center staff for a walk around the property as we discover what's abundant this fall. Bring your camera and/or binoculars, and your curiosity! For all ages, but children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult. Sept. 6th and 20th, Oct. 4th and 18th, Nov. 1st and 15th. 10 - 11 a.m., Meet at ENSAT. No pre-registration required. Free.



SECOND SATURDAY STORYTIME – Join staff for a different nature story on the second Saturday of each month. Learn about forest life, turtles, butterflies and much more! For families (children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult). Sept. 13, Oct. 11, 2:30 p.m. (approximately 30-minute program). ENSAT building. No pre-registration, just stop by!

SCNC ANNUAL MEETING - Members, come join us for our annual meeting. Help us celebrate our 35th anniversary. Good food, good fun, live music! Sunday, September 28, 3-5p.m. ENSAT. Free, RSVP by Sept. 21 by calling 613-3615 x0 .

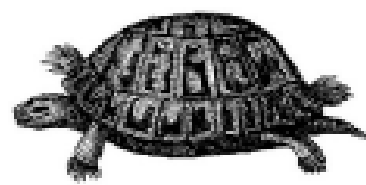


Fall Open Houses

“YEAR OF THE FROG” - Explore the diversity of frogs and toads around the world. Find out the danger that the world's amphibians are in during the “Year of the Frog” open house. We'll enjoy the afternoon learning about frogs and toads through hands-on activities, crafts and demonstrations. Hop on by for a few minutes or a couple of hours! For families. Saturday, September 20, 1 - 3 p.m. ENSAT. No pre-registration required. Free



“Turtles- Living Tanks”- Crawl on in to learn about turtles and tortoises that live here in Georgia, as well as around the world. Meet some live turtles and tortoises and see various turtle bio-facts. Enjoy a variety of free activities and crafts. Come for a few minutes or a couple of hours! For families. Saturday, November 22, 1 - 3 p.m. ENSAT. No pre-registration required. Free.



FALL 2008 ACTIVITIES



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Sandy Creek Nature Center

Nature Center Hours: Tuesday to Saturday from 8:30a.m.-5:30 p.m. Trails are open daily sunrise to sunset.

Please pre-register for all programs at least a day in advance unless otherwise noted, call (706) 613-3615 x 0.

Need-based scholarships for programs costing \$10 or more are available for Athens-Clarke County residents under age 18.

Please call the Nature Center for more information. See department policy for refunds and cancellations.

SCNC Members, look for our special program discounts on selected programs.

All programs begin promptly at the scheduled time.

Programs not meeting a minimum number of participants will be cancelled and fees refunded.



Ages 5 & Under

EATIN' WITH THE CRITTERS – Bring a sack lunch and join us for our lunchtime series. This series will explore “Mysteries of Nature” through hiking, crafts, meeting live animals and other activities. Come dressed to be both inside and out. Ages 3-5, with adult. Alternate Wednesdays, September 3 to November 12. 12:30 – 1:30 p.m., ENSAT. Pre-registration required.

Fee: \$0-16 depending on scholarship eligibility/ACC Resident (\$25/non-ACC resident, \$14/SCNC Member)



BABIES & BEASTIES SERIES - Immerse your child in learning – through animal sounds, movements, smells and live animals – while you learn how to help your toddler discover nature. For 18 months – 2 years old, with adult. Thursdays, November 6, 13, 20. 10 - 10:45 a.m. Pre-registration and pre-payment required. Fee: \$8/ACC Resident (\$12/non-ACC resident, \$7/SCNC Member)

Fall Family Programs

FAMILY FISHING

Join us down by Claypit pond for a morning of fishing. We'll provide the poles and bait, you come and enjoy! For families. September 13, 10-11:30 a.m. Walker. Please call to pre-register and pre-pay. Fee: \$6 for ACC families, \$9 for non-resident families.

FAMILY PROGRAM “AMAZING APPETITES”

Join us to learn about our animals at the nature center and what it takes to care for them. Help prepare food and assist in feeding the animals. For families with children 6 years and up. September 27, 10 a.m.-Noon. ENSAT. Please call to pre-register and pre-pay. Fee: \$6 for ACC families, \$9 for non-resident families.

FAMILY PROGRAM “BUMP IN THE NIGHT”

Join us for an evening of howls, chirps and other things that make noise in the night. We'll learn who makes those strange sounds and why they make them. Take a night hike and practice some nighttime walking and observing. For families. October 10, 6:30-8 p.m. ENSAT. Please call to pre-register and pre-pay. Fee: \$6 for ACC families, \$9 for non-resident families.


Registration begins August 22nd! Call (706) 613-3615 X 0 to register.

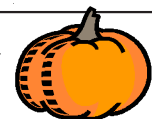
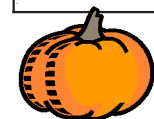


SEPTEMBER

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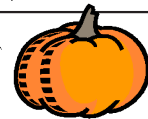




Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 SCNC Open Labor Day Monday, Sept. 1st 8:30am-5:30pm	3 12:30-1:30pm EWTC	4 7-9pm Audubon Meeting	5	6 10 - 11am Naturalist Walk 11am-Noon New Volunteer Orientation
9	10	11	12	13 10-11:30am Family Fishing 2:30-3pm Second Saturday Storytime 3-4pm Animal Care Volunteer Orientation
16	17 12:30-1:30pm EWTC	18	19 	20 10-11am Naturalist Walk 1-3pm Open House "Frogs"
23	24	25	26	27 10am-Noon Family Program "Animal Appetites"
30 Don't Forget... SCNC Annual Meeting and bird seed sale kickoff Sunday, Sept. 28, 3-5pm				



OCTOBER

closed Sunday & Monday



Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 12:30-1:30pm EWTC	2 7-9pm Audubon Meeting	3	4 10-11am Naturalist's Walk
7 	8	9	10 6:30-8:00pm Family Program "Night Noises"	11 2:30-3pm Second Saturday Storytime
14	15 12:30-1:30pm EWTC	16	17 	18 10-11am Naturalist's Walk
21 Bird Seed Sale Order Forms Due Don't Forget... Jack O'Lantern Jog Sunday, Oct. 26 at 2:30pm	22	23	25 4-7pm Scary, Oozy Slimy Day 	
	29 12:30-1:30pm EWTC	30	31 Bird Seed Pickup begins	

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NOVEMBER

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Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 10-11am Naturalist's Walk Bird Seed Pickup
4 		6 10-10:45am Babies and Beasties 7-9pm Audubon Meeting	7	8 9am-noon ACC Community Tree Fair 9am-4pm Rock & Gem Show
11	12 12:30-1:30pm EWTC	13 10-10:45am Babies and Beasties	14	15 10-11am Naturalist's Walk
18	19	20 10-10:45am Babies and Beasties	21	22 1-3pm Open House "Turtles" 
25	26	27 Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday	28	29

FALL SPECIAL EVENTS

ROCK AND GEM SHOW – Annual event sponsored by the Athens Gem and Mineral Club featuring gem and mineral collections from local enthusiasts. Come learn about our local geology and participate in activities such as gem mining. For families (Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult.) Saturday, November 8, 9:00 - 4:00 p.m. ENSAT. No pre-registration required. Free.

ACC COMMUNITY TREE FAIR- Come visit Sandy Creek Nature Center to learn all about trees! The morning will consist of exhibit booths for both kids and adults, along with a tree care demonstration area. There will be plenty of information about landmark trees in the Athens area and the ACC Community Tree Ordinance. You will also get a chance to see a tree climbing demonstration or buy your favorite tree to take home. Saturday, November 8, 9:00a.m.- Noon. No pre-registration required. Free! Door Prizes! Free coffee and baked goods!

SCARY, OOZY SLIMY DAY – Dress in your favorite Halloween costume and join us at the nature center as we explore the world of scary, yet misunderstood species such as bats, spiders and snakes. The evening's activities will include games, crafts, animal encounters and guest exhibitors. For families (children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult.) Saturday, October 25, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. ENSAT. No pre-registration required. Fee: \$2 per person for ACC residents (Non-resident \$4). Children under age 3 are free.

JACK-O-LANTERN JOG AND GOBLIN FUN RUN-Annual four-mile road race and one-mile fun run fundraiser for SCNC, Inc. Races will begin and end at SCNC. Prizes awarded for top finishers in each division for the four-mile and at the costume contest before the fun run. Sunday, October 26. Fun Run at 2p.m., 4 mile starts 2:30p.m. Registration forms available at SCNC or online at www.active.com. \$15 early registration/ \$18 race-day registration.