



# NOVEMBER EVENTS

2015

## Friends of the San Pedro River



### River Walks

The San Pedro River features some of the richest wildlife habitat in the Southwest. Here you'll find 82 species of mammals, dozens of different reptiles and amphibians and nearly 350 species of birds. In addition, the river supports one of the largest cottonwood-willow forest canopies remaining in Arizona and is one of the last free-flowing rivers in the Southwest.

Join one of our trained docents on an **Interpretive River Walk** to discover why the San Pedro River is one of the top ten endangered rivers and named by the Nature Conservancy as one of the *Last Great Places*.

The interpretive river walks are usually 1½ to 2 miles long over easy terrain. They are slower-paced than a hike and suitable for most adults and children.

**Every Saturday:**

**November 7, 14, 21, 28**

River walks depart from the San Pedro House at **9:00am**

### Bird Walks

The San Pedro River is considered one of the largest and most critical avian migratory corridors remaining in the western United States. The San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area (SPRNCA) provides habitat for over 100 species of breeding birds, and provides water, food and shelter for another 250 species of migratory and wintering birds.

Birders, novice or experienced, are invited to attend any of the listed bird walks to introduce them to the diverse avian community found in the SPRNCA. Observe 25 - 50 species on these popular 2 to 3 hour bird walks.

**Wednesday, Nov. 11**

**Saturday, Nov. 28**

Bird walks depart from the San Pedro House at **8:00am**



*Wear appropriate attire for hiking and walking and current weather conditions. Bring at least one quart of water per person. There is **no charge** for the walks; however, donations are accepted.*

### History Walks

#### PRESIDIO SANTA CRUZ DE TERRENATE

The Friends of the San Pedro River offer a history walk on Saturday, Nov. 7 at 9 a.m. to the Presidio Santa Cruz de Terrenate. As the Spanish extended their empire out of Mexico, they established a Presidio (fortress) along the San Pedro River in 1776. Learn about the Presidio and what happened there to make the Spanish abandon the fort in 1780. The walk is about three miles (round trip) and will take about three hours. Be prepared for the weather with good shoes, water, and a hat.

**Saturday, Nov. 7, 9:00am**

Meet at the Presidio Parking Area on In Balance Ranch Road, one mile north of Highway 82, west of the San Pedro River

#### FAIRBANK HISTORIC TOWNSITE

Fairbank was an important transportation hub during the silver boom in and around Tombstone. The tour of the townsite will include the restored schoolhouse, the mercantile building, the town cemetery and other remnants of this historic railroad town. Fairbank was the longest-lasting ghost town along the San Pedro, with occupation spanning 1881 to 1972. The tour will focus on the many colorful events and personalities that wove the fabric of the town.

This afternoon walk will last one and a half hours and is about one mile in length.

**Saturday, Nov. 14 1:00pm**

**Walk departs from the Fairbank Schoolhouse**

(The Fairbank parking area is about one quarter mile east of the San Pedro River, north side of Highway 82).

### Annual HOLIDAY SALE

**10% OFF**  
EVERYTHING  
IN THE STORES\*

**November 27  
through  
December 24**

Take 10% off your purchases at either the San Pedro House or Fairbank Schoolhouse.

Shop with *nature* in mind.

\*not valid with other discounts

### Environmental Operations Park EOP BIRD WALKS

The Sierra Vista **Environmental Operations Park (EOP)**, also known as the Sierra Vista Wastewater Wetlands, has been opened to public tours on Sunday mornings at **8:00am**. The EOP is a 50-acre wetlands planted with aquatic plants, including cattails and grasses that attract migrating and nesting birds.

Tours are restricted to 22 persons (including docents) on a first-come, first-served basis. Other group tours can be arranged through SABO at (520) 432-1388 or [sabo@sabo.org](mailto:sabo@sabo.org). Tours are free, although donations are accepted.

**Every Sunday:**

**Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**

Meet at **8:00am** at the EOP viewing platform parking lot

Turn North off Hwy 90 between MM 324 and 325

#### San Pedro House Books & Gifts

9800 E. Highway 90  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635  
Open Daily: 9:30am - 4:30pm  
(520) 508-4445  
[sanpedrohouse@sanpedroriver.org](mailto:sanpedrohouse@sanpedroriver.org)

#### The Fairbank Schoolhouse

**Fairbank Historic Townsite**  
Hwy 82 east of the San Pedro River  
Open Fri, Sat, Sun: 9:30am - 4:30pm  
(520) 457-3062  
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# 2015 SCHEDULE OF WALKS & HIKES

## INTERPRETIVE RIVER WALKS

Every Saturday morning

Departing from the San Pedro House

9:00am October through March

8:00am April through September



## BIRD WALKS

Departing from the San Pedro House

**October & November:**

2nd Wednesday and the 4th Saturday at 8:00am

**December:**

Every Wednesday and the 4th Saturday at 9:00am

**January & February 2016**

Every Wednesday and the 4th Saturday at 9:00am

**March 2016**

Every Wednesday and the 4th Saturday at 8:00am

**April 2016**

Every Wednesday and the 4th Saturday at 7:00am

**May through September 2016**

2nd Wednesday and the 4th Saturday at 7:00am

## EOP BIRD WALKS

(Sierra Vista Environmental Operations Park)

Departing from the viewing platform

Every Sunday morning

8:00am October through March

7:00am April through September



## HISTORY WALKS (all on Saturdays)

Oct. 10 9:00am Murray Springs Clovis Site

Oct. 24 9:00am Clanton Ranch

Nov. 7 9:00am Presidio Santa Cruz de Terrenate

Nov. 14 1:00pm Fairbank Historic Townsite

Dec. 5 9:00am Millville Ruins & Petroglyphs



Schedule subject to change.  
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