



# SEPTEMBER EVENTS 2016



## 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:  
Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24**

River 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 to support the docent programs.*

### 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 two to three hour bird walks.

**Wednesday, Sept. 14  
Saturday, Sept. 24**

Bird walks depart from the San Pedro House at **7:00am**

### History Walks

#### MILLVILLE RUINS & PETROGLYPH TRAIL

Join the Friends of the San Pedro River for an interpretive walk at the historic town of Millville. The Corbin and Gird mills processed silver ore mined in Tombstone. These stamp mills on the east side of the river roared day and night for the "boom" years between 1878 and 1889. It was a "boomtown" in every sense of the word – a quick rise and a rapid decline. This site is also well known for its many petroglyphs etched into the rocky hillsides.

The walk is about one and a half miles and will take about two hours. Be prepared for the weather with good shoes, water, and a hat.

**Sat., Sept. 10, 9:00am**  
**Meet at the Millville Parking Area**

(about one quarter mile east of the San Pedro River, north side of Charleston Road)



#### 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 River, with occupation spanning 1881 to 1972. The tour will focus on the many colorful events and personalities that wove the fabric of the town. The walk will last approximately 1 ½ hours and is about 1 mile in length.

**Sat., Sept. 17, 9:00am**

**Walk departs from the Schoolhouse**  
(The Fairbank parking area is about 1/4 mile east of the San Pedro River, north side of Highway 82).

SOUTHEASTERN ARIZONA  
BIRD OBSERVATORY

### HUMMINGBIRD BANDING

San Pedro House

Observe from 4:00pm to 6:00pm



**Saturdays:**

**September 3, 10, 17, 24  
October 1, 8**

For more info or complete schedule visit:

**WWW.SABO.ORG**

(520) 432-1388 - [sabo@sabo.org](mailto:sabo@sabo.org)  
(Schedule subject to change)

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 **7:00am**. 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 20 persons 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**.

(Donations are accepted)

**Every Sunday:  
Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25**

Meet at **7:00am** 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

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#### 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

[schoolhouse@sanpedroriver.org](mailto:schoolhouse@sanpedroriver.org)

# SCHEDULE OF WALKS & HIKES

## INTERPRETIVE RIVER WALKS

Every Saturday morning

Departing from the San Pedro House

8:00am April through September

9:00am October through March



## BIRD WALKS

Departing from the San Pedro House

May through September

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

October

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

November

(Note change, additional bird walks added)

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

December

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



## HISTORY WALKS (all on Saturdays)

Sept. 10	9:00am	Millville Ruins & Petroglyphs - <i>New!!</i>
Sept. 17	9:00am	Fairbank Historic Townsite
Oct. 1	9:00am	Presidio Santa Cruz de Terrenate
Oct. 8	9:00am	Murray Springs Clovis Site
Oct. 22	9:00am	Clanton Ranch
Nov. 12	9:00am	Presidio Santa Cruz de Terrenate
Dec. 3	1:00pm	Fairbank Historic Townsite
Dec. 17	1:00pm	Millville Ruins & Petroglyphs

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Sierra Vista

Environmental Operations Park

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Every Sunday morning

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8:00am October through March



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