

NOVEMBER 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: November 5, 12, 19, 26

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 two to three hour bird walks.

Every Wednesday: November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 & Saturday, Nov. 26

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

History Walk

PRESIDIO SANTA CRUZ DE TERRENATE

The Friends of the San Pedro River offer a history walk 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 3 miles (round trip) and will take about 3 hours. Be prepared for the weather with good shoes, water, and a hat.

Sat., Nov. 12, 9:00am

Meet at the Presidio Parking Area

(West side of the river on Highway 82, turn north on In Balance Ranch Road, go 1 mile to parking area)

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.

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

Tours are restricted to 20 persons on a firstcome, first-served basis. Other group tours can be arranged through SABO at (520) 432-1388 or sabo@sabo.org. Tours are FREE.

(Donations are accepted)

Every Sunday: November 6, 13, 20, 27

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

Annual **HOLIDAY SALE** IN THE STORES* November 25 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

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

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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

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SCHEDULE OF WALKS & HIKES

INTERPRETIVE RIVER WALKS

Every Saturday morning Departing from the San Pedro House

9:00am October through March8:00am April through September

BIRD WALKS

Departing from the San Pedro House

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

January & February 2017

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

March 2017

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

April 2017

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

HISTORY WALKS (all on Saturdays)

Nov. 12 9:00am Presidio Santa Cruz de Terrenate

Dec. 10* 1:00pm Fairbank Historic Townsite (*note new date)

Dec. 17 1:00pm Millville Ruins & Petroglyphs

Schedule is subject to change

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



