



MAY EVENTS 2018



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.

The interpretive river walks are usually 1.5 to 2 miles long over easy terrain, including sections where the trail is uneven and rough. They are slower paced than a hike and suitable for most adults and children. Walks are free, although donations are accepted

Saturdays:

May 5, 12, 19, 26

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

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 30 - 60 species on these popular two to three hour bird walks. Free, although donations are accepted.

Wed., May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Saturday, May 26

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

History Hike

GRAND CENTRAL MILL

Grand Central mill processed ore from the mines in Tombstone. It is located 1.25 miles north of Fairbank. Our docent will lead the hike, explaining the history of the site and showing the foundations of the mill. The trail is gravel and uneven, with some uphill stretches. There is some shade, but it can be hot. Dress for the weather, wear good walking shoes and a hat; bring plenty of water. This 2.5 mile (total) hike will last about 3 hours.

Saturday, May 5

Meet at **9:00am** at the Fairbank Schoolhouse

SOUTHEASTERN ARIZONA BIRD OBSERVATORY

HUMMINGBIRD BANDING



at the
San Pedro House
9800 E. Highway 90, Sierra Vista

Observe from 4:00pm - 6:00pm

- Saturday, May 5
- Saturday, May 12
- Saturday, May 19
- Saturday, May 26
- Saturday, June 2

(Schedule subject to change)

www.sabo.org (520) 432-1388 sabo@sabo.org

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 by contacting S.A.B.O. at (520) 432-1388 or sabo@sabo.org. Tours are free, although donations are accepted.

**Every Sunday:
May 6, 13, 20, 27**

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

INTERPRETIVE RIVER WALKS

Departing from the San Pedro House

Every Saturday:

April through September at 8:00am

October through March at 9:00am



BIRD WALKS

Departing from the San Pedro House

May 2018

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

June through September 2018

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



San
Pedro
Riparian
National
Conservation
Area

30 Years of Conservation 1988 - 2018

The San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area was designated by Congress on November 18, 1988 to permanently protect approximately 40 miles of the upper San Pedro River. The primary purpose for the designation is to protect and enhance the desert riparian ecosystem, a rare remnant of what was once an extensive network of similar riparian systems throughout the Southwest.

The Bureau of Land Management and the Friends of the San Pedro River are committed to protecting and preserving this invaluable resource for the public to enjoy.

Join us in celebrating 30 years of conservation.

For Hikes and Walks:

- Wear appropriate attire for hiking and walking and current weather conditions. Wear good hiking shoes. Wear a hat and sunscreen.
- Bring at least one quart of water per person. Bring a snack for longer walks and hikes.
- Dogs should be left at home unless well behaved and not disruptive to the tour. Dogs are not allowed on Bird Walks.

There is **no charge** for the walks; however, donations are accepted to support the docent programs.

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