

FLORIDA KEYS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES UPCOMING EVENTS



FOR VOLUNTEERS, FRIENDS, RESIDENTS, AND VISITORS

GUIDED WALKS AND BIKES-FEBRUARY 2015

Wed. Feb. 4th— Blue Hole/Nature Trails walk.

Sat. Feb. 7th— Bike Big Torch Key (10 mi.)

Wed. Feb. 11th-Key Deer Refuge-Long Beach walk (1-2 mi.)

Fri. Feb 13th— Pinelands to Hardwood Hammock—No Name Key walk (1-2 miles)

Wed. Feb. 18th-Blue Hole/Nature Trails walk.

Fri, Feb. 20th-Kayak trip to No Name Mangrove Tunnel (details below)

Wed. Feb. 25th-Key Deer Refuge-Long Beach walk (1-2 mi.)

Fri. Feb 27th-Big Pine Key— Freshwater wetlands –marshes, solution holes and more!



All walks and bike events are free and meet at National Key Deer Refuge Visitor Center on Big Pine Key at 8 am. If you prefer, meet at trailhead at 8:30.

Call **Ranger Kristie** at 305-304-9625 for details and directions. All Bike rides are BYOBike.

Mark your calendars-

Fri. Mar. 20th— **Volunteer Appreciation Dinner- Lower Keys Volunteers. 5:00-7:00p**

New: Guided Refuge Kayak Excursions

February's Kayak Adventure is Friday, Feb. 20th.

—to No Name Key Mangrove Tunnel

Departing from Old Wooden Bridge Marina at 10am (Big Pine Key)

Bring your own kayak or rent one (limit 12, call Kristie @ 305-304-9625 for reservations)



Florida Keys Wildlife Refuges Photo Club



meets 2nd Wed. of the month- 6:30-8:00pm

Monthly photo excursions- everyone welcome

Family/Kids Nature Club Saturday's—

“Rockin Rangers”

Feb.-March 2015

Details on next page!!



FAVOR FLORIDA KEYS EVENTS
FULL MOON KAYAKS & MOVIES
 TO REGISTER CALL BILL @ 305-872-7474



Full Moon Kayak Schedule 2015

Feb. 2, 2015 • Monday 4:30-6:30pm

March 3, 2015 • Tuesday 5-7pm

April 3, 2015 • Friday 6-8pm

May 2, 2015 • Saturday 6-8pm

June 1, 2015 • Monday 6:30-8:30pm



CHILDREN'S SATURDAY NATURE PROGRAMS!

ROCKIN' REFUGE RANGERS! Free

This is a series of educational, fun-filled programs for kids ages 6 thru 12! We will meet at the Key Deer Refuge Visitor Center at 9:45 am and finish by 12:00pm. There will be short interactive lessons and after that we will either do an outdoor field trip or a fun nature related activity!

All children need to be accompanied by an adult and dressed appropriately for outdoor activities. (tennis shoes/no flip flops please)

Be sure to mark your calendar!

February 21 - Wonders of Wetlands

February 28 - Insects

March 7 - Butterflies

March 14 - Keys Beaches & Tidal Pools

March 21 - Endangered Species

March 28 - Food chain & Food Webs

Call Kristie @ 305-304-9625 to pre-register or kristie_killam@fws.gov



CROCODILE LAKE NWR HAPPENINGS

Mark your calendars. We've got some fun workdays and events planned for the next several months and would like you to attend!

All events will be from 9 am-12 pm and will begin at Crocodile Lake NWR Headquarters, 10750 County Road 905, Key Largo, FL 33037.

Feb. 21, 2015 - Guided Walking Tour: Ecology and Management of the Key Largo Woodrat.

Mar. 14, 2015 - Butterfly Garden Workday: General maintenance, re-mulch garden.

Apr. 18, 2015 - Torchwood Planting Workday: Plant host plants for the endangered Schaus' Swallowtail butterfly in areas throughout the Refuge. We'll prepare the holes prior to the workday.

Crocodile Lake Volunteer Appreciation Picnic

SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2015

John Pennekamp State Park, 12:00 pm, Dolphin Pavilion