



Pinckney Island National Wildlife Refuge

50th Anniversary Celebration

April 11, 2026

9:30 am – 4:00 pm

Activities Program

Explore the Refuge Independently or with a Guide

9:00 am - Interior Gate Opens (Expect a 15–20-minute car ride to event site)

9:30 am - Event Starts (Visit information table for details)

10:00 - 4:00 pm – Ongoing Activities

10:15 am - 11:15 am: Guided Programs – *Reservations Required: Sign up at information table*

11:00 am - 3:00 pm: Food Vendors

11:30 am - Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

11:45 - 12:15 pm – Live Music by Roger Day

12:30 - 1:30 pm – Live Bird Demonstration

1:45 - 2:15 pm – Live Music/Interactive Song Writing by Roger Day

2:15 - 3:15 pm: Guided Programs – *Reservations Required: Sign up at Information table*

5:00 pm - All vehicles off refuge, gates close

Ongoing Activities:

Family Fun Walk: 1 ½ miles with completion prize

Kayak Education

Photo Booth/ Photo Scavenger Hunt

Live Reptiles

Sea Turtle Education

Junior Refuge Ranger Program

Visit with Puddles the Refuge Blue Goose Mascot

Outdoor Skills and Leave No Trace

Fishing techniques

Arts & Crafts

Face Painting

Refuge Law Enforcement Awareness

Native Rice Culture

Visit with Palmer the Shorebird Ambassador Dog

And So Much More!



Guided Programs			
Time	Maximum Participants	Program Type	Program Description
10:15 – 11:15 am	15	Yoga – for all levels Van ride to Bull Point Departs from check in table area	Connect with nature through yoga at Bull Point led by Savannah Yoga. Please bring your own mat, towel, or blanket.
10:15 – 11:15 am	20	Bird Identification Walk (easy) Departs from Hilton Head Audubon Table	Practice your birding skills while walking around Nini Chapin Pond with a Hilton Head Audubon Society Member.
10:15 – 11:15 am	18	Nature Photography Walk (easy) Wagon Ride to Ibis Pond Departs from behind shop	Learn some tips about nature photography on a hike around Ibis Pond with an expert photographer.
10:15 – 11:15 am	18	Historical Wagon Ride Departs from behind shop	Curious about the history of Pinckney Island? Tour the refuge by wagon and hear stories of adventures about growing up on Pinckney Island.
10:15 – 11:15 am	10	Pollinator Garden Education Shuttle Ride to Ibis Pond Departs from shuttle pick up sign	Learn about butterflies and their habitat with Master Gardeners as you explore the refuge's beautiful pollinator garden at Ibis Pond.
10:15 – 11:45 am	10 (refuge bicycles)	Bike Tour (moderate level) Departs from bikes near check in	Join volunteers from Friends of the Savannah Coastal Wildlife Refuges for an adventure to White Point (limited adult bicycles provided, or you may bring your own and join the group).
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2:15 – 3:15 pm	20	Nature Hike Departs from check-in table area	Join volunteers for a 1 ¼ mile adventure around Osprey Pond learning about native flora and fauna.
2:15 – 3:15 pm	20	Nature Hike Departs from check-in table area	Join volunteers for a 1 ¼ mile adventure to Bull Point learning about native flora and fauna and refuge history.