



SIERRA CLUB



Lunz Letter

December 2021

Coming Up:

Lunz Group Holiday Party!



Thursday, December 2
6:30 to 8:30pm

Cooper Estates Boat Landing
1097 Cottingham Dr.
Mount Pleasant

Join us for the Lunz Group Winter Potluck. We'll gather outdoors with a fire pit at the Cooper Estates Boat Landing on Shem Creek in Mount Pleasant. Feel

free to bring a friend, Sierra Club members and non-members are invited.

Items to bring:

- Food or drink to share - vegetarian, vegan, meat or seafood dishes welcome.
- Reusable cup, plate and eating utensils if you have them. (No styrofoam or disposable plastic, please!) A small number of reusable plates and utensils will be provided.
- Collapsible chair to sit around fire pit.

Please RSVP through [Facebook](#) or [Meetup](#).



**Watch Recording of
Nov. 4 Program:**

**Charleston's
Climate Action Plan**

Charleston Climate Ambassador, Kindall Brantley, gave an overview of the city's recently adopted Climate Action Plan that will guide city and community efforts to reduce GHG emissions by 56% over the coming decade.

[Click to Stream Recording](#)

[View the City of Charleston's](#)



Save the Date:

Smart Infrastructure
*to Improve Transport Safety,
Resiliency, Electrification in SC*

Thursday, January 6
Online - Zoom

Speakers:

Laura Rogers,
The Ray Highway

Kevin Limehouse,
Charleston County

Our presenters will talk about CORE SC, a collaboration to develop resiliency solutions for water, connectivity,



Watch Rescue Rantowles Creek Film

Thanks to all who came out last month for the premier of *Rescue Rantowles Creek - The Movie* at Bulow Landing. Interest in protecting the culturally significant area surrounding the creek continues to grow among an incredibly diverse group of people in the Lowcountry.

However, more work is needed to raise awareness of the importance of Rantowles Creek to human history and sacrifice. As Queen Quet, Chieftess of the Gullah Geechie Nation, said at the premiere, "It's time for all of us to gather together -- on this shore to shout some more -- about how we protected a historic place and a beautiful space, so we can keep the ecology of the Low Country and continue to thrive and survive as a cultural community." Please continue to spread the word by watching and sharing the film with your friends, family and political representatives.

[Stream Film on YouTube](#)

Outings!

*****This Saturday*****

**Paddle Penny Creek to
Willtown Bluff on the
Edisto River**

Saturday, November 20
8:00am to 6:00pm
Trip Leader: Bill Turner
Difficulty level: Easy

This scenic and varied trip follows narrow intimate Penny Creek out to the wide Edisto. From there we'll cross the river and traverse old 18th century rice canals and back channels down to historic Willtown Bluff.



[Learn More & Register](#)



Paddle & Wilderness Camping on Otter Island

Fri. - Sun., December 3 - 5
Trip Leader: Starr Hazard
Difficulty level: Moderate

This a relatively protected passage. We will ride ebb tides to Otter and return on

the flood tides. The trip offers a dark sky (lots of stars at night), premier beach combing, and Civil War history that will astound you.

This trip is NOT for beginners. Participants must have BOTH kayaking and camping experience.

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Day Hike at Ace Basin Nat. Wildlife Refuge

Sunday, December 12
8:00am to 6:00pm
**Time is tentative*
Trip leader: Bill Turner
Difficulty level: Easy



This is an all day, 6 to 7 mile walk to an antebellum plantation house surrounded by sprawling live oaks, old rice fields now managed as

waterfowl habitat, pine and hardwood forests, salt marsh, and freshwater ponds.

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And More Outings to Come!

1/8/22 - [Hike Palmetto Trail Swamp Fox Passage](#)

1/16/22 - [Day hike in the Francis Marion National Forest](#)

1/22/2022 - [Birding Huntington Beach State Park](#)

2/12/2022 - [Santee Coastal Reserve](#)

2/19/22 - [Day hike at Combahee Unit, Ace Basin Nat. Wildlife Refuge](#)

3/13/22 - [Off road cycling at Bear Island Wildlife Management Area](#)

3/19/22 - [Biking Moultrie Passage of Palmetto Trail](#)

...and save-the-date for the annual [Oyster Roast and FUNdraiser](#) on February 27, 2022

Keep up the Good Work!

Results For Saltmarsh Restoration Project

Over the last year Sierra Club members and other volunteers have come out to help with the Community Science Salt Marsh Restoration and Monitoring Project coordinated by the SC DNR, S.C. Sea Grant Consortium and other groups. And that help has made a difference! Over 380 people participated in volunteer events:



Oyster Reef Installations at 12 of 13 target sites:

- Bagged shell
- Wire reefs
- Cair fiber
- Loose shell

Spartina planting along marsh banks:

-439,658 seeds collected

-2,964 seedlings planted

-16,012 plants planted

Look for details about additional volunteer events in the Lunz Group newsletter as they're announced.

[Learn More About the Project](#)

Stream recordings for all recent programs on
the [Lunz Group YouTube channel](#).

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