



SIERRA CLUB



Lunz Letter

April 2022

Coming Up:

Understanding Heat Risk in Charleston

Speakers:

Dr. Janice Barnes, Climate
Adaptation Partners
Dr. Jerry Reves, MUSC
Dr. Kirstin Dow, USC
Dr. Chip Konrad, UNC Chapel Hill

Thursday, April 7 | 7:00pm
Online via Zoom

Beginning in 2020, the Charleston Medical District (CMD), Climate Adaptation Partners (CAP), and the Carolinas Integrated Sciences Assessment (CISA) team along with many local partners, collaborated on an integrated heat research program, a growing focus across the southeast. In a city where chronic flooding plagues neighborhoods, and where it has always been hot, drawing attention to increases in extreme heat and associated health implications is a relatively new effort and one that requires new types of collaborations in order to be effective. Speakers at this event will share the research results and seek community feedback on ways to better integrate heat risk into local planning and investments.



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Save the Date

Drawdown Georgia:
*A Roadmap For Bringing
Climate Solutions Home*

Thursday, May 5

Guest speaker Blair Beasley will talk about how Drawdown Georgia can be a model and resource for applying the Drawdown framework to engage stakeholders in organizing state-level climate action.



View Recording:
**Horseshoe Crab
Recovery**

Christian Hunt with Defenders of Wildlife discussed ongoing efforts to shield once-abundant horseshoe crabs which have seen their population depleted by over-harvesting.

[Watch the recording](#)

Outings!

**Beginning March 1, 2022, we are reinstating the optional contribution for Sierra Club outings participants. Suggested amounts are \$5 for a day trip and \$10 for an overnight trip.

Cycling at Bear Island

Saturday, March 26

Trip Leader: Bill Turner

Difficulty level: Moderate

A ride of approximately 20 to 25 miles along the former rice dikes of this expansive state refuge in the Ace Basin. Good views of the Ashepoo and Edisto rivers, through pine and hardwood forest, and across vast areas of brackish water marsh.



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Canoe / Kayak on



Wambaw Creek

Saturday, April 16

Trip Leader: Bill Turner

Difficulty level: Easy

April is a great time to paddle this tributary of the Santee River, with trees starting to green up, prothonotary warblers returning from the tropics and iris and golden club flowers beginning to bloom. This is a relatively easy trip of approximately 8 miles, suitable for novice paddlers. If there's time we'll stop at nearby St. James Santee Parish Church, an 18th century structure that served as a "chapel of ease" for plantation owners along the Santee River.

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Canoe / Kayak on the Little Pee Dee River

Thursday, April 28

Trip Leader: Bill Turner

Difficulty level: Moderate

Five miles above its confluence with the Great Pee Dee, the Little Pee Dee divides and braids through a primordial cypress swamp into multiple interconnected channels, creating one of the most beautiful, unique, and secluded paddling experiences in the South Carolina coastal plain. This is a loop trip. Participants should be comfortable with some upstream paddling and maneuvering boats through tight passages, so this is not for beginners.



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Another Successful Oyster Roast!



It was great to get together again at Bowen's Island after last year's pandemic hiatus. Great music, great food, great friends and a great time! Thank you to everyone who bought tickets or bid on auction items. Proceeds from the oyster roast will help support the Lunz Group and South Carolina chapter over the coming year.

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