



SIERRA CLUB



Lunz Letter

March 2022

Coming Up:

Horseshoe Crab Recovery

Christian Hunt

*Southeast Program
Representative,
Defenders of Wildlife*

**Thursday, March 3
7:00pm**



The horseshoe crab is a uniquely ancient animal, having survived hundreds of millions of years, unchanged. While once abundant in South Carolina, biomedical harvesting pressure has depleted localized populations, further imperiling migratory shorebirds, such as the red knot, which depends on horseshoe crab eggs to complete its Arctic migration. Christian Hunt with Defenders of Wildlife will examine this industry, discuss ongoing campaigns to shield refuges and sanctuaries from harvesting and share means by which locals can get involved.

[Click to Register](#) (Required)

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



Save the Date

Understanding Heat Risk in Charleston

Thursday, April 7

Representatives from Climate Adaptation Partners (CAP) and local organizations will describe ongoing research about extreme heat and the associated health impacts as climate change becomes an increasing reality.



View Recording:

Member Slide Show

Did you miss the February member's slide show? Yvonne, Bill, Alec & Christine shared photos and stories of their adventures to Alaska, the Canary Islands and Spain and Portugal, as well as photos of a bird rookery closer to home.

[Watch the recording](#)



Support the State Chapter!

The Sierra Club is a local, national and statewide organization. The state chapter does critical work to advance conservation issues in the state house and beyond, including:

- Advancing policies to protect our climate
- Advocating renewable energy at the Public Utility Commission
- Supporting increased public spaces for habitat protection and recreation

The Chapter needs your help to do these and more over the coming year. Consider making a donation as part of the March Fundraising Appeal.

[Learn More about the State Chapter](#)

Treasurer Needed!

The South Carolina Chapter is looking for someone to work with the executive committee and national staff to help manage the Chapter's finances.

[Contact Chapter Chair, Ben Mack](#)

City of Charleston Introduces Food Composting Drop off

**CHARLESTON IS NOW
COMPOSTING FOOD SCRAPS!
SIGN UP TODAY!**

City of Charleston residents can take their food scraps to designated drop sites for **FREE** beginning January 23. Drop-off locations include:

- **Ackerman Park** (West Ashley)
- **Corrine Jones Park** (Peninsula)
- **Medway Park** (James Island)

To sign up for the service, see a list of items accepted, and learn about **free workshops** to help get you started, visit charleston-sc.gov/compost.

  **CHARLESTON
COMPOSTS**  FUNDED BY **dhec**

[Learn More](#)

Return of the annual...

Lunz Group Oyster Roast & Auction!

**Sunday, February 27
2:00 to 5:00 pm**

Bowen's Island Restaurant

1870 Bowens Island Rd.

*****Live music by Lime & the Coconuts!*****

Adults \$40 in advance
(before 10am on the day of)

Ticket price includes oysters, potluck veggie and meat chili, veggie dogs, and Ben & Jerry's ice cream. Beer or wine available with donation. Open to the public.



To volunteer (to bring chili, serve hot dogs, ice cream, beer, set up, clean up) please contact Ben Mack at ben.andrew.mack@gmail.com. (This is our big fundraiser, so volunteers should also buy a ticket.)

To donate items for the silent auction, please contact Laura Moses at lauramoses@yahoo.com or Nina Fair at ninafair@bellsouth.net. Many thanks to our auction donors and volunteers!

[Purchase Tickets Online](#)

Thank You to Our Auction Supporters

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Outings!



Hike in ACE Basin National Wildlife Refuge

Saturday, February 19

Trip Leader: Bill Turner

Difficulty level: Easy

This will be a 6 to 7 mile walk at the this lesser known section of the refuge. Expansive former rice fields and dikes bordering the Combahee River, hardwood forest, and an inland rice reserve.

[Learn More & Register](#)

Santee Coastal Reserve Hike & Bike

*****Rescheduled date*****

Saturday, March 5 & 6

Trip Leader: Starr Hazard

Difficulty level: Easy



This is an annual favorite visit out to heart of the Santee Delta. This year includes an optional overnight camping options for those interested in a two-day experience. Join us for bird watching, dike walking, optional bike ride and more.

[Learn More & Register](#)



Biking Moultrie Passage

Saturday, March 19

Trip Leader: Starr Hazard

Difficulty level: Moderate

The ride is close to 30 miles but it's a flat course. Spring will be in the country side and the gators will be sunning. You will need a fat tire bike.

[Learn More & Register](#)

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

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