May 2019

Hello Fellow SCAN Members!

We had a fantastic turnout for our April trip to Forty Acre Rock Heritage Preserve. We even had several first-time trippers!

Jerry Bright	Ron Ahle	Lee Morris	Jim Boylston	Cliff Sizemore
Tom Jones	Angela Valvasori	Carol Gist	Dave Kastner	Kathy Boyle
Mary G Douglass	Hugh Martin	Marilyn Brown	Marty Kastner	Kim McManus
Charlie Williams	Jan Ciegler	Sam Pratt	Ruth Nicolson	Paul Kalbach
Ben Gregory	Greg Ross	Eva Pratt	Charles Nicolson	Rita Zollinger
Dave Schuetrum	Chris Manuse	Kate Hartley	Marcus Sizemore	

After a round of introductions and our briefing by Rita Zollinger in the upper parking lot, we headed out into the Heritage Preserve. After a short walk through the pine forest, we reached 14 acres of exposed rock. The granite outcrop was the first stop for most of the group. We quickly discovered that the signature vernal pools were dry, but the vegetation still looked reasonably healthy. The view from the outcrop encompassed both Sandhills and Piedmont regions as the site is near the boundary of the two distinct landforms.

Upon leaving the granite outcrop, the group split into smaller roving parties. Many of us followed trails along small streams that led into a wetland around a very large beaver pond. Many wildflowers were blooming. Lizards, skinks and salamanders were discovered. Summer Tanagers and Red-eyed Vireos filled the air with their song.

The weather was very pleasant, starting off a bit cool and warming up to the mid-70ies during the afternoon. The sun was out most of the day, providing a beautiful dapple of light in the woods.

After a full day of covering the trails that criss-crossed the preserve, we rallied in the parking lot and made our way to Gus's House of Pizza for a well-deserved meal.

Here are a few images from the trip. Clockwise: the group in the parking lot, a vernal pool (without any water), Summer Tanager, and a view across the granite outcropping.



Our May outing is our annual excursion to Hell Hole Swamp in the Francis Marion National Forest. The diehard campers will kick off the weekend Thursday night and stay through Monday morning. The official trip is our usual Saturday 10:30am to 4:30pm, with a potluck dinner afterwards. There are hotels available nearby for those who wish to make a weekend of it without the hassle of camping out.

We look forward to seeing you!

Kím McManus

Francis Marion National Forest / Hell Hole Swamp

Berkeley County, SC
May 25, 2019 10:30am (Day Trip)
May 23 – 26/27, 2019 (Car Camping)

Cell phone service may be sparse so here are contacts should you need assistance in finding the campground:

Marcus Sizemore ______

Kim McManus _____

On Saturday May 25, SCAN will visit the Francis Marion National Forest. We'll gather at the Hell Hole Road campground at 10:30am. From there, we'll break out into smaller groups for exploration of this vast and diverse area. Options include road cruising for snakes and herps, visiting pitcher plant bogs, scouting Carolina Bays, bird watching, and seeking out unusual wildflowers. Marcus Sizemore has some leads on a few new interesting locations to examine, depending on recent rainfall and river levels.

Potential locations include:

- Guilliard Lake
- Battery Warren Trail
- Palmetto Trail Swamp Fox Passage Wadboo Creek Boardwalk (good spot for herps)
- Florida Bay

This will be SCAN's seventh year taking part in the annual 'Under a Low Country Moon' interpretive weekend. Under a Low Country Moon (ULCM) is comprised of a group of naturalists who have met on Memorial Day weekend annually since 2001. The weekend includes lots of road cruising, with stops for on-foot exploration. There are a few ponds and creeks that can be traversed in a kayak or canoe. Evening activities include road cruising, star gazing, s'more eating contests, and, if we're very lucky, musical interludes by several of our talented friends.

ULCM members will start setting up camp on Thursday. The last stragglers don't leave until lunchtime on Monday. Both hotel and rustic camping options are available. The campground is simply a field (mowed by our own Paul Kalbach and Randy McManus (thanks Paul and Randy!), so plan to pack in and pack out everything you need. The closest hotels are approximately 30 minutes away in Moncks Corner. Feel free to join in the fun for as long as you like!

Dinner:

Due to the remote location of this trip, dinner will be potluck at the campground. Paul Kalbach will be making BBQ for the carnivorously inclined. Please plan to contribute sides or additional dishes. Check out our Facebook page or email Kim McManus to indicate what type of items you'd like to contribute.

A few camp stoves will be available for heating items. Don't forget your coolers as it could be a warm day and we don't want anything to melt or spoil. Ice for drinks will be available.

There are no facilities at the campground, so please plan accordingly. The nearest restroom is ~15 minutes away in Jamestown at the gas station (BP/Kangaroo).

Marcus Sizemore Southern Regional Director Directions:

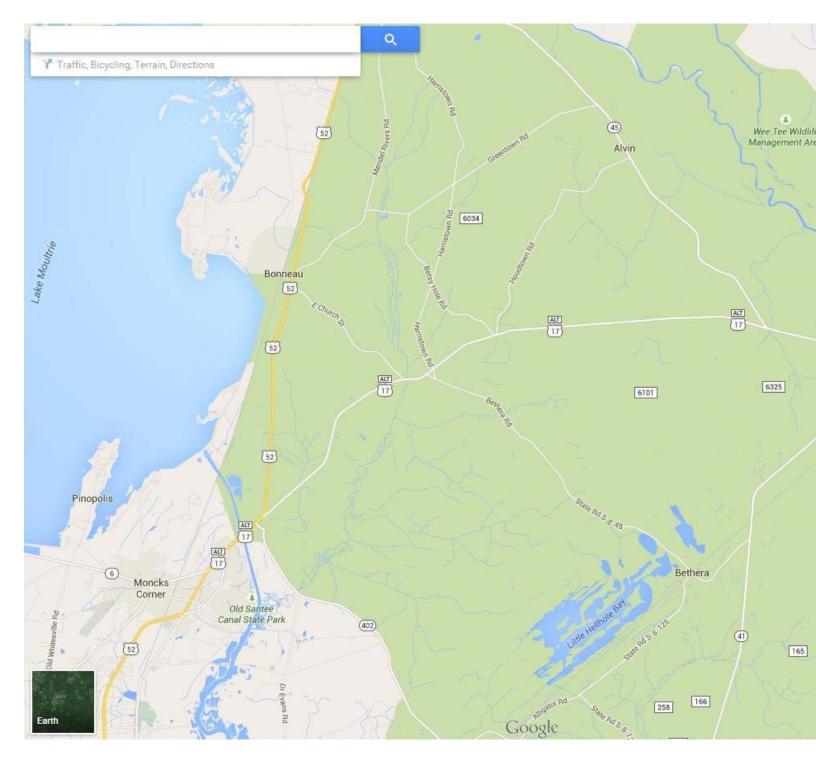
Forest Road 158 / Hell Hole Road 33°10'41.7"N 79°45'59.4"W 33.178249, -79.766493

From the Interstate:

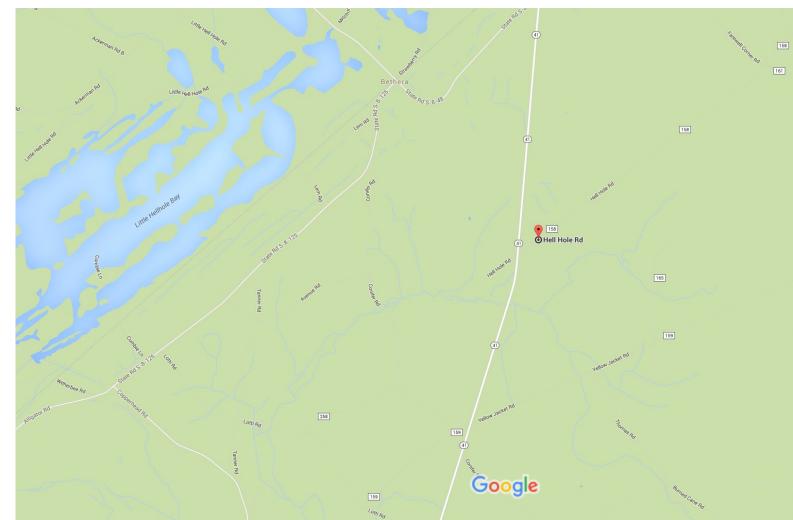
- 1. From 1-26E, take exit 194 towards Road 16 / Jedburg / Pinopolis
- 2. Turn LEFT on Jedburg Rd and go 5.1 miles.
- 3. Turn RIGHT on US-176E and go 0.4 miles.
- 4. Turn LEFT on Black Tom Road / State Road S-8-467 and go 5.7 miles.
- 5. Keep RIGHT to continue on State Road S-8-413 and go 0.2 miles.
- 6. Turn LEFT at the 2nd cross street onto US-17 Alt N / South Live Oak Drive and go 5.5 miles.
- 7. Use the left 2 lanes to turn slightly LEFT onto US-17 Alt N / US-52 W / N US Hwy 52 and go 1.9 miles.
- 8. Take a slight RIGHT onto US-17 Alt N and go 5.6 miles.
- 9. Turn RIGHT onto Bethera Road / State Road S-8-48.
- 10. After 0.2 miles, continue on Bethera Road and go 5.4 miles.
- 11. Turn RIGHT onto SC-41 S and go 2.5 miles.
- 12. Turn LEFT onto Hell Hole Road / Forest Road 158.
- 13. Take the first RIGHT into the campground.

From Charleston, SC to Hell Hole Road, Huger, SC 29450

- 1. Merge onto US-17 N / Arthur Ravenel Jr Bridge / Septima Clark Pkwy via the ramp to Mt Pleasant
- 2. At the end of the bridge, stay LEFT to continue on US-17 N / N Hwy 17 and go 7.7 miles.
- 3. Use the left 2 lanes to turn LEFT onto SC-41 N and go 23.2 miles.
- 4. Turn RIGHT onto Hell Hole Road / Forest Road 158.
- 5. Take the first RIGHT into the campground.

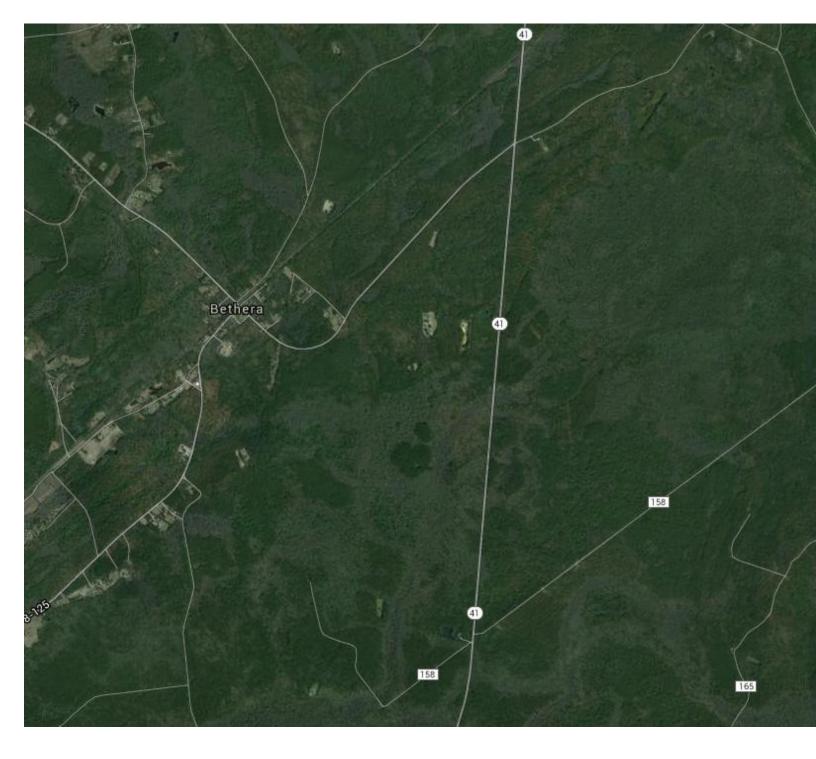


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Forty Acre Rock HP Lancaster Co., SC April 27, 2019

This list was produced by SCAN from sightings produced by SCAN members and is subject to revision as needed. An asterisk (*) indicates a new sighting for SCAN. Send any changes or corrections to Tom Jones.

Please indicate exactly to which flora/fauna list you are referring. Thank you.

FLORA

Rock Spikemoss

Selaginella rupestris

Ouillwort

Isoetes sp.

Rattlesnake Fern

Botrypus virginianus

Southern Grapefern

Sceptridium biternatum

Hairy Lip-fern

Cheilanthes lanosa

Netted Chain Fern

Woodwardia areolata

Ebony Spleenwort

Asplenium platyneuron

Southern Lady Fern

Athyrium asplenioides

Christmas Fern

Polystichum acrostichoides

Resurrection Fern

Pleopeltis polypodioides

michauxiana

Shortleaf Pine

Pinus echinata

Loblolly Pine

Pinus taeda

Eastern Red Cedar

Juniperus virginiana virginiana

Jack-in-the-pulpit

Arisaema triphyllum

Hairy Spiderwort

Tradescantia hirsuticaulis

Silky Oat-grass

Danthonia sericea

Two-flower Melic

Melica mutica

Bahia Grass

Paspalum notatum

Eastern Needlegrass

Piptochaetium avenaceum

Dimpled Trout Lily

Erythronium umbilicatum

umbilicatum

False Garlic

Nothoscordum bivalve

Common Atamasco-lily

Zephyranthes atamasca

Common Stargrass

Hypoxis hirsuta

False Solomon's-seal

Maianthemum racemosum

racemosum

Solomon's-seal

Polygonatum biflorum

Catesby's Trillium

Trillium catesbaei

Blue-eyed-grass

Sisyrinchium sp.

Curlyleaf Yucca

Yucca filamentosa

Catbrier

Smilax bona-nox

Bamboo-vine

Smilax laurifolia

Common Greenbrier

Smilax rotundifolia

Cranefly Orchid

Tipularia discolor

Tulip-tree

Liriodendron tulipifera

Sweet-shrub

Calycanthus floridus

Sassafras

Sassafras albidum

Virginia Snakeroot

Endodeca serpentaria

Little Brown Jug

Hexastylis arifolia

Round-lobed Hepatica

Anemone americana

Virgin's-bower

Clematis virginiana

Sweet Gum

Liquidambar styraciflua

Winged Elm

Ulmus alata

Southern Hackberry

Celtis laevigata

Pignut Hickory

Carya glabra

Sand Hickory

Carya pallida

Mockernut Hickory

Carya tomentosa

White Oak

Quercus alba

Southern Red Oak

Quercus falcata

Sand Laurel Oak

Quercus hemisphaerica

Turkey Oak

Quercus laevis

Overcup Oak

Quercus lyrata

Blackjack Oak

Quercus marilandica marilandica

Rock Chestnut Oak

Quercus montana

Water Oak

Quercus nigra

Post Oak

Ouercus stellata

Tag Alder

Alnus serrulata

American Hornbeam

Carpinus caroliniana

Dune Prickly-pear

Opuntia drummondii

Prickly-pear

Opuntia mesacantha mesacantha

Spring-beauty

Claytonia virginica

Appalachian Rock-pink

Phemeranthus teretifolius

Rock Sandwort

Minuartia uniflora

Common Chickweed

Stellaria media

Jumpseed

Persicaria virginiana

Peelbark St.-John's-wort

Hypericum fasciculatum

Pineweed

Hypericum gentianoides

St. Andrew's Cross

Hypericum hypericoides

Halberd-leaf Violet

Viola hastata

Primrose-leaf Violet

Viola primulifolia

Missouri Rockcress

Boechera missouriensis

Spotted Wintergreen

Chimaphila maculata
Sourwood

Oxydendrum arboreum

Wild Azalea

Rhododendron periclymenoides

Sparkleberry

Vaccinium arboreum

Deerberry

Vaccinium stamineum

American Persimmon

Diospyros virginiana

Elf-orpine

Diamorpha smallii

Puck's Orpine

Sedum pusillum

American Alumroot

Heuchera americana

Wild Strawberry

Fragaria virginiana

Five-fingers

Potentilla canadensis

Black Cherry

Prunus serotina serotina

Eastern Redbud

Cercis canadensis canadensis

Naked Tick-trefoil

Desmodium nudiflorum

Northern Sundial Lupine

Lupinus perennis perennis

Flowering Dogwood

Cornus florida

Blackgum

Nyssa sylvatica

Hearts-a-burstin'-with-love

Euonymus americanus

American Holly

Ilex opaca opaca

Outcrop Rushfoil

Croton willdenowii

Eastern Flowering Spurge Euphorbia corollata

Southeastern Flowering Spurge

Euphorbia pubentissima

Virginia-creeper

Parthenocissus quinquefolia

Muscadine

Vitis rotundifolia rotundifolia

Eastern Red Maple

Acer rubrum rubrum

Fragrant Sumac

Rhus aromatica aromatica

Winged Sumac

Rhus copallinum

Eastern Poison Ivy

Toxicodendron radicans radicans

Violet Wood-sorrel

Oxalis violacea

Carolina Jessamine

Gelsemium sempervirens

Flatrock Phacelia

Phacelia maculata

Wild Comfrey

Cynoglossum virginianum

virginianum

Flatrock Pimpernel

Lindernia monticola

Beautyberry

Callicarpa americana

Lyre-leaf Sage

Salvia lyrata

Common Toadflax

Nuttallanthus canadensis

Southern Beardtongue

Penstemon australis

Fringe-tree

Chionanthus virginicus

White Ash

Fraxinus americana

Chinese Privet

Ligustrum sinense

Southern Oak-leach

Aureolaria pectinata

Downy Oak-leach

Aureolaria virginica

Cross-vine

Bignonia capreolata

Trumpet-creeper

Campsis radicans

Horned Bladderwort

Utricularia cornuta

Venus's Looking-glass

Triodanis perfoliata

Wahlenbergia

Wahlenbergia marginata

Quaker Ladies

Houstonia caerulea

Japanese Honeysuckle

Lonicera japonica

Common Elderberry

Sambucus canadensis

Southern Black Haw

Viburnum rufidulum

Plantain Pussytoes

Antennaria plantaginifolia

Leopard's-bane

Arnica acaulis

Sandhill Chaffhead

Carphephorus bellidifolius

Green-and-gold

Chrysogonum virginianum

Common Dog-fennel

Eupatorium capillifolium

Hollow-stem Joe-pye-weed

Eutrochium fistulosum

Veiny Hawkweed

Hieracium venosum

Spotted Cat's-ear

Hypochaeris radicata

Opposite-leaf Dwarf-dandelion

Krigia cespitosa cespitosa

Virginia Dwarf-dandelion

Krigia virginica

Appalachian Ragwort

Packera anonyma

Coreopsis

Coreopsis sp.

Woolly Ragwort

Packera tomentosa

Grass-leaved Golden-aster

Pityopsis sp.

Rattlesnake-root

Prenanthes sp.

FAUNA

Sulfur-winged Grasshopper

Arphia sulphurea

Eastern Pondhawk

Erythemis simplicicollis

Painted Skimmer

Libellula semifasciata

Citrine Forktail (damselfly)

Ischnura hastata

Snail-eating Ground Beetle

* Scaphinotus unicolor unicolor

Zebra Swallowtail

Eurytides marcellus

Black Swallowtail

Papilio polyxenes

Eastern Tiger Swallowtail

Papilio glaucus

Spicebush Swallowtail

Papilio troilus

Juniper Hairstreak

Callophrys gryneus gryneus

Henry's Elfin (butterfly)

Callophrys henrici

American Lady (butterfly)

Vanessa virginiensis

Red Admiral

Vanessa atalanta

Common Buckeye (butterfly)

Junonia coenia

Red-spotted Purple (butterfly)

Limenitis arthemis astyanax

Gemmed Satyr (butterfly) Cyllopsis gemma

Clouded Skipper

Lerema accius

Zabulon Skipper

Poanes zabulon

Fowler's Toad Anaxyrus fowleri

Cricket Frog

Acris sp.

Green Anole

Anolis carolinensis

Eastern Fence Lizard Sceloporus undulatus

Six-lined Racerunner

Aspidoscelis sexlineata

Broadhead Skink Plestiodon laticeps

Eastern Worm Snake

Carphophis amoenus

Eastern Ratsnake Pantherophis alleghaniensis

Banded Water Snake

Nerodia fasciata

Mississippi Kite

Ictinia mississippiensis

Red-bellied Woodpecker

Melanerpes carolinus Pileated Woodpecker

Dryocopus pileatus **Great Crested Flycatcher**

Myiarchus crinitus

Blue Jay Cyanocitta cristata

Carolina Chickadee

Parus carolinensis

White-eyed Vireo

Vireo griseus

Yellow-throated Vireo

Vireo flavifrons

Red-Eyed Vireo

Vireo olivaceus

Black-and-white Warbler

Mniotilta varia

Pine Warbler

Dendroica pinus

Hooded Warbler

Wilsonia citrina

Common Yellowthroat

Geothlypis trichas

American Redstart

Setophaga ruticilla

Summer Tanager

Piranga rubra

Raccoon(tracks)

Procyon lotor

White-tailed Deer(tracks)

Odocoileus virginianus