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Hi, SCAN Friends!

Last month's outing to Poe Creek State Forest was an excessively hot one, with temperatures in the upper 90ies under sunny skies. Thankfully, everyone came prepared with lots of water, appropriate attire and great attitudes. Ron Ahle provided roadside flag-down service to direct us into the completely hidden parking area, where he skillfully maneuvered more cars into the tight space than we all thought possible. We made our way up the trail, with lots of stops for spiders and caterpillars. There were discussions around a unique-looking milkweed that was growing close to the ground. A black Regal Moth caterpillar with knobby spikes was the focus of a multi-person photoshoot. Eventually we found the very small water feature that we assumed to be Poe Creek. It was inaccessible and underwhelming. Overall, the area was pretty, with a nicely maintained trail but the heat discouraged us from exploring very far. We wrapped up a little early and drove a few minutes down the road to Long Shoals Roadside Park to dip our feet in the water and cool off. Afterwards, our local expert Barbara Foster recommended a terrific restaurant and we enjoyed a group dinner at Stumphaus Tavern in Walhalla.

This month we're pivoting from the published schedule due to maintenance work at the original destination. Instead, we're headed to a state park SCAN has never explored – H. Cooper Black Jr. Memorial Field Trial and Recreation Area in Chesterfield County. Bring your [Ultimate Outsider](#) stamp book and get one step closer to that free t-shirt and bragging rights! There's a minimal entrance fee, so bring some cash, too. There are camping options and lots of go at your own pace exploration trails. The weather forecast looks lovely, so come on out!

Looking ahead, we have:

- September 27: Historic Brattonsville / Draper WMA
- October 25: Santee NWR – Cuddo Unit
- November 9 (*tentative*): Director's Special – Foothills Farmstead
- November 22: Meggett County Park
- December 13: Barnwell State Park

*Kim McManus, Secretary and Web Keeper*

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**Attendees:**

Todd Johnston, Nancy Adamson, Barbara Foster, Ron Ahle, Dawn Hall, Rita Zollinger, Kim McManus, Todd Johnston, Julianna Nyikos, Claudia Stratmann, Johannes Stratmann

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Difoliate Orbweaver (*Acacesia hamata*)



Wild Potato Vine (*Ipomoea pandurata*)



Seedbox (*Ludwigia alternifolia*)



Regal Moth Caterpillar (*Citheronia regalis*)



Lunch!



White-banded Crab Spider (*Misumenoides formosipes*)



Southern Sneezeweed (*Helenium flexuosum*)



Ron Ahle documenting something besides a bird!



Sylvan Jumping Spider (*Colonus sylvanus*)



Butterfly Milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*)



Perhaps an Ambush Bug

## H. Cooper Black Jr. Memorial Field and Trial Recreation Area

Chesterfield County, SC

279 Sporting Dog Way, Cheraw, SC 29520

Saturday, August 23, 2025, 10:30 AM to ~4:30 PM

Our August trip will be to a new location – H. Cooper Black Jr. Memorial Field Trial and Recreation Area. This is one of the few state parks that SCAN has not yet visited. Although the park hosts field trials and equestrian events, they are almost never held in the summer so we should have the place mostly to ourselves. I hope that we can spread out and explore some of the 7,000 acres, including three ponds and several fields in the extensive pine woods. A fourth pond is being developed, and I was told that this area is good for snakes. The park is near several areas SCAN has visited in the past, including Cheraw State Park, Sandhills State Forest, and Carolina Sandhills National Wildlife Refuge.

There are lots of trails and sand/gravel roads – more than we can hope to cover in one day. But this means that you can easily adjust your activities to your energy level and the weather conditions. The park is open 24/7 so you can arrive early and stay late if you want. Both developed and primitive campsites are available. Admission is \$3.00, with a 50% discount for seniors. Camping fees depend upon the type of campsite.

Address: 279 Sporting Dog Way, Cheraw, SC 29520

Website: [H Cooper Black | South Carolina Parks Official Site](#)

**Driving Directions:** From Cheraw: Take Hwy. 1 South for approximately 5.6 miles. Turn left onto Society Hill Rd and travel 4.5 miles. Turn right onto H. Cooper Road for 1.3 miles. Turn left onto Sporting Dog Trail.

From Florence: Take Hwy. 52 North. Pass through Society Hill and travel approximately 3 miles. Turn left onto Society Hill Rd. and travel 3 miles. Turn left onto H. Cooper Road for 1.3 miles. Turn left onto Sporting Dog Trail.

Park in the Day Parking area near the Office; make sure not to block the horse stalls by the Office. There should not be many horses present during our visit. If there are any, they have the right of way. [It's too hot in August for horses; I will refrain from comments about SCAN.] After our morning meeting, you can head out to check out your chosen areas. There are bathrooms in the central developed area and occasional porta potties in other areas. There are of course numerous blue and pink bushes throughout.

Our originally planned location, Great Pee Dee Heritage Preserve, has had extensive logging this year for habitat restoration. We will get it back on the schedule when we are sure that the logging is complete and that equipment and gravel is not taking up much of the relatively small parking area.

Regional Director:

Caroline Eastman



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## Campground

- CLUBHOUSE
- DUMP STATION
- RESTROOMS/SHOWERS
- HORSE BARN
- PLAYGROUND
- 30 AMP W & E
- 50 AMP W & E
- 20/30/50 AMP W & E
- 50 AMP W, E & SEWER
- 30 AMP W, E & SEWER
- PRIMITIVE CAMPSITE
- ADA SITE
- STALL
- CORRALS
- KENNELS (96)

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COME OUT & PLAY

**Poe Creek State Forest**  
**Pickens Co., SC**  
**July 26, 2025**

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 Austin at [scnaturalists76@gmail.com](mailto:scnaturalists76@gmail.com). Please indicate exactly to which flora/fauna list you are referring to in the subject line of your message. Thank you.

**LICHENS**

*Cladonia caespiticia*  
*Cladonia cristatella*  
*Cladonia didyma*  
*Cladonia subtenuis*  
*Cladonia peziziformis*  
*Cladonia sp.*  
*Xanthoparmelia sp.*

**FLORA**

**Juniper Haircap Moss**

*Polytrichum juniperinum*

**Haircap Moss**

*Polytrichum sp.*

**Bracken**

*Pteridium aquilinum*

**Southern Lady Fern**

*Athyrium asplenoides*

**New York Fern**

*Amauropelta noveboracensis*

**Autumn Fern**

*Dryopteris erythrosora*

**Christmas Fern**

*Polystichum acrostichoides*

**Shortleaf Pine**

*Pinus echinata*

**Pitch Pine**

*Pinus rigida*

**Eastern White Pine**

*Pinus strobus*

**Loblolly Pine**

*Pinus taeda*

**Virginia Pine**

*Pinus virginiana*

**Eastern Hemlock**

*Tsuga canadensis*

**Eastern Red Cedar**

*Juniperus virginiana*

**Tulip-tree**

*Liriodendron tulipifera*

**Cucumber-tree**

*Magnolia acuminata*

**Small-flowered PawPaw**

*Asimina parviflora*

**Common Pawpaw**

*Asimina triloba*

**Sassafras**

*Sassafras albidum*

**Whiteleaf Greenbrier**

*Smilax glauca*

**Common Greenbrier**

*Smilax rotundifolia*

**Bristly Greenbrier**

*Smilax tamnoides*

**Common Stargrass**

*Hypoxis hirsuta*

**Dwarf Iris**

*Iris verna*

**Upland Dwarf Iris**

*Iris verna smalliana*

**Solomon's-seal**

*Polygonatum biflorum*

**Straw Flatsedge**

*Cyperus strigosus*

**Beaksedge**

*Rhynchospora sp.*

**Nutrush**

*Scleria sp.*

**Old-field Broomstraw**

*Andropogon virginicus*

**Hill Cane**

*Arundinaria appalachiana*

**Longleaf Spikegrass**

*Chasmanthium sessiliflorum*

**Beaked Panic Grass**

*Coleataenia anceps*

**Needle-leaf Witchgrass**

*Dichanthelium aciculare*

**Variable Witchgrass**

*Dichanthelium commutatum*

**Witchgrass**

*Dichanthelium dichotomum*

**Open-flower Witchgrass**

*Dichanthelium laxiflorum*

**Velvet Witchgrass**

*Dichanthelium scoparium*

**Japanese Stilt-grass**

*Microstegium vimineum*

**Florida Paspalum**

*Paspalum floridanum*

**Bahia Grass**

*Paspalum notatum*

**Vasey Grass**

*Paspalum urvillei*

**Silver Plume Grass**

*Saccharum alopecuroides*

**Redtop**

*Tridens flavus*

**Northern Leatherflower**

*Clematis viorna*

**Sweet Gum**

*Liquidambar styraciflua*

**Virginia-willow**

*Itea virginica*

**Muscadine**

*Vitis rotundifolia*

**Virginia-creeper**

*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*

**Mimosa**

*Albizia julibrissin*

**Hog-peanut**

*Amphicarpaea bracteata*

**Thick-pod White Wild Indigo**

*Baptisia alba*

**Partridge Pea**

*Chamaecrista fasciculata*

**Sensitive Partridge Pea**

*Chamaecrista nictitans*

**Common Sensitive-plant**

*Chamaecrista nictitans*

**Atlantic Pidgeonwings**

*Clitoria mariana*

**Panicledleaf Ticktrefoil**

*Desmodium paniculatum*

**Tick-trefoil**

*Desmodium sp.*

**Downy Milkpea**

*Galactia regularis*

**Japanese-clover**

*Kummerowia striata*

**Korean Clover**

*Kummerowia stipulacea*

**Bicolor Lespedeza**

*Lespedeza bicolor*

<b>Sericea Lespedeza</b>	<i>Lespedeza cuneata</i>	<b>Mockernut Hickory</b>	<i>Carya tomentosa</i>	<b>Flowering Dogwood</b>	<i>Cornus florida</i>
<b>Hairy Lespedeza</b>	<i>Lespedeza hirta</i>	<b>Tag Alder</b>	<i>Alnus serrulata</i>	<b>American Persimmon</b>	<i>Diospyros virginiana</i>
<b>Smooth Trailing Lespedeza</b>	<i>Lespedeza repens</i>	<b>Hearts-a-burstin'-with-love</b>	<i>Euonymus americanus</i>	<b>Whorled Loosetrife</b>	<i>Lysimachia quadrifolia</i>
<b>Lespedeza</b>	<i>Lespedeza sp.</i>	<b>Southern Yellow Wood-sorrel</b>	<i>Oxalis dillenii</i>	<b>Sweetleaf</b>	<i>Symplocos tinctoria</i>
<b>Eastern Sensitive-briar</b>	<i>Mimosa microphylla</i>	<b>Pineweed</b>	<i>Hypericum gentianoides</i>	<b>Galax</b>	<i>Galax urceolata</i>
<b>Kudzu</b>	<i>Pueraria montana</i>	<b>St. Andrew's Cross</b>	<i>Hypericum hypericoides</i>	<b>Pipsissewa</b>	<i>Chimaphila maculata</i>
<b>Pencil-flower</b>	<i>Stylosanthes biflora</i>	<b>Dwarf St.-John's-wort</b>	<i>Hypericum mutilum</i>	<b>Trailing Arbutus</b>	<i>Epigaea repens</i>
<b>Spiked Hoarypea</b>	<i>Tephrosia spicata</i>	<b>Spotted St.-John's-wort</b>	<i>Hypericum punctatum</i>	<b>Mountain Laurel</b>	<i>Kalmia latifolia</i>
<b>Virginia Goat's-rue</b>	<i>Tephrosia virginiana</i>	<b>Wood Violet</b>	<i>Viola hirsutula</i>	<b>Sourwood</b>	<i>Oxydendrum arboreum</i>
<b>White Clover</b>	<i>Trifolium repens</i>	<b>Bird's-foot Violet</b>	<i>Viola pedata</i>	<b>Rhododendron</b>	<i>Rhododendron sp.</i>
<b>Serviceberry</b>	<i>Amelanchier sp.</i>	<b>Common Blue Violet</b>	<i>Viola sororia</i>	<b>Sparkleberry</b>	<i>Vaccinium arboreum</i>
<b>Running Five-fingers</b>	<i>Potentilla canadensis</i>	<b>Yellow Passionflower</b>	<i>Passiflora lutea</i>	<b>Hillside Blueberry</b>	<i>Vaccinium pallidum</i>
<b>Black Cherry</b>	<i>Prunus serotina</i>	<b>Southeastern Flowering Spurge</b>	<i>Euphorbia pubentissima</i>	<b>Deerberry</b>	<i>Vaccinium stamineum</i>
<b>Common Dewberry</b>	<i>Rubus flagellaris</i>	<b>Ridgestem Yellow Flax</b>	<i>Linum striatum</i>	<b>Large Buttonweed</b>	<i>Diodia virginiana</i>
<b>Oriental Silverleaf</b>	<i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i>	<b>Yellow Flax</b>	<i>Linum medium</i>	<b>Longleaf Bluet</b>	<i>Houstonia longifolia</i>
<b>Carolina Buckthorn</b>	<i>Frangula caroliniana</i>	<b>Colombian Waxweed</b>	<i>Cuphea carthagenensis</i>	<b>Partridge-berry</b>	<i>Mitchella repens</i>
<b>False-nettle</b>	<i>Boehmeria cylindrica</i>	<b>Alternate-leaved Seedbox</b>	<i>Ludwigia alternifolia</i>	<b>Poorjoe</b>	<i>Hexasepalum teres</i>
<b>American Beech</b>	<i>Fagus grandifolia</i>	<b>Winged Sumac</b>	<i>Rhus copallinum</i>	<b>Clasping Milkweed</b>	<i>Asclepias amplexicaulis</i>
<b>White Oak</b>	<i>Quercus alba</i>	<b>Smooth Sumac</b>	<i>Rhus glabra</i>	<b>Butterfly-weed</b>	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>
<b>Scarlet Oak</b>	<i>Quercus coccinea</i>	<b>Poison Oak</b>	<i>Toxicodendron pubescens</i>	<b>Wild Sweet Potato</b>	<i>Ipomoea pandurata</i>
<b>Southern Red Oak</b>	<i>Quercus falcata</i>	<b>Poison-Ivy</b>	<i>Toxicodendron radicans</i>	<b>Carolina Horsenettle</b>	<i>Solanum carolinense</i>
<b>Blackjack Oak</b>	<i>Quercus marilandica</i>	<b>Red Maple</b>	<i>Acer rubrum</i>	<b>Polypremum</b>	<i>Polypremum procumbens</i>
<b>Rock Chestnut Oak</b>	<i>Quercus montana</i>	<b>Common Pokeweed</b>	<i>Phytolacca americana</i>	<b>English Plantain</b>	<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>
<b>Red Oak</b>	<i>Quercus rubra</i>	<b>Blackgum</b>	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	<b>Broad-leaved Plantain</b>	<i>Plantago rugelii</i>
<b>Post Oak</b>	<i>Quercus stellata</i>	<b>Snowy Hydrangea</b>	<i>Hydrangea radiata</i>	<b>Broadleaf Plantain</b>	<i>Plantago major</i>
<b>Black Oak</b>	<i>Quercus velutina</i>	<b>Silky Dogwood</b>	<i>Swida amomum</i>	<b>Carolina Wild-petunia</b>	<i>Ruellia caroliniensis</i>
<b>Pignut Hickory</b>	<i>Carya glabra</i>	<b>Silky Dogwood</b>	<i>Cornus amomum</i>	<b>Cross-vine</b>	<i>Bignonia capreolata</i>



**Ghost Spider***Wulfila albens***Black Cherry Leaf Gall Mite***Eriophyes cerasicrumena***Slant-faced Grasshopper***Syrbula admirabilis***Carolina Locust***Dissosteira carolina***Angular-winged Katydid***Microcentrum retinerve***Fork-tailed Bush Katydid***Scudderia furcata***Robust Shieldback Katydid***Atlanticus gibbosus***Red-headed Bush Cricket***Phyllopalpus pulchellus***Restless Bush Cricket***Hapithus agitator***Jumping Bush Cricket***Hapithus saltator***Chinese Mantis***Tenodera sinensis***Stilt Bug***Jalysus sp.***Ambush Bug***Phymata fasciata***Pale Green Assassin Bug***Zelus luridus***Assassin Bug***Zelus cervicalis***Milkweed Assassin Bug***Zelus longipes***Annual Cicada***Tibicen sp.***Coppery Leafhopper***Jikradia olitoria***Ensign Scale Insect***Orthezia sp.***Fern Ball Crambid***Herpetogramma theseusalis***Crambid Moth***Bicilia iarchasalis***Fusiform Oak Apple Wasp***Amphibolips acuminata***Velvet-ant***Pseudomethoca simillima***Red Carpenter Ant***Camponotus castaneus***Fraternal Potter Wasp***Eumenes fraternus***Eastern Yellowjacket***Vespula maculifrons***Paper Wasp***Polistes sp.***Spider Wasp***Tachypompilus sp.***Gold-marked Threadwaist Wasp***Eremnophila aureonotata***Carpenter-mimic Leafcutter***Megachile xylocopoides***Leaf-cutting Bee***Megachile sp.***Say's Cuckoo Leafcutter Bee***Coelioxys sayi***Bumblebee***Bombus impatiens***Western Honey Bee***Apis mellifera***Mydas Fly***Mydas clavatus***Giant Robber Fly***Efferia aestuans***Yellowjacket Hoverfly***Milesia virginiensis***Dusky-winged Hover Fly***Ocyrtamus fuscipennis***Common Flesh Fly***Sarcophaga sp.***Satellite Fly***Metopia sp.***Swift Setwing***Dythemis velox***Yellow-sided Skimmer***Libellula flavida***Widow Skimmer***Libellula luctuosa***Blue Dasher***Pachydiplax longipennis***Common Whitetail***Plathemis lydia***Blue-faced Meadowhawk***Sympetrum ambiguuum***Ebony Jewelwing***Calopteryx maculata***Japanese Beetle***Popillia japonica***Flower Scarab Beetle***Trigonopeltastes delta***Net-winged Beetle***Calopteron reticulatum***White-fringed Beetle***Naupactus leucoloma***Eastern Tiger Swallowtail***Papilio glaucus***Spicebush Swallowtail***Papilio troilus***Gray Hairstreak***Strymon melinus***Eastern Tailed-blue***Cupido comyntas***Summer Azure***Celastrina neglecta***American Lady***Vanessa virginiensis***Common Buckeye***Junonia coenia***Red-spotted Purple***Limenitis arthemis astyanax***Silver-spotted Skipper***Epargyreus clarus***Clouded Skipper***Lerema accius***Angle Moth***Macaria sp.***Regal Moth***Citheronia regalis***Litter Moth***Renia sp.***Vetch Looper Moth***Caenurgia chloropha***Eastern Box Turtle***Terrapene carolina***Green Anole***Anolis carolinensis***Eastern Fence Lizard***Sceloporus undulatus***Skink***Plestiodon sp.***Ground Skink***Scincella lateralis***Bald Eagle***Haliaeetus leucocephalus***Downy Woodpecker***Dryobates pubescens***Hairy Woodpecker***Leuconotopicus villosus***Blue Jay***Cyanocitta cristata***Tufted Titmouse***Baeolophus bicolor***Carolina Chickadee***Poecile carolinensis***Brown-headed Nuthatch***Sitta pusilla***Carolina Wren***Thryothorus ludovicianus***Blue-gray Gnatcatcher***Poliophtila caerulea***Blue-headed Vireo***Vireo solitarius***Black-and-white Warbler***Mniotilta varia*

**Pine Warbler**

*Setophaga pinus*

**Northern Cardinal**

*Cardinalis cardinalis*

**Indigo Bunting**

*Passerina cyanea*

**Chipping Sparrow**

*Spizella passerina*

**American Goldfinch**

*Spinus tristis*

**Feral Pig**

*Sus scrofa*

**White-tailed Deer**

*Odocoileus virginianus*