

Fall 2016 CBC Meeting – Driving Directions

All trips start at Quality Inn at Town Center, 2001 Boundary Str., Beaufort, SC

Trips 1, 11, 19 & 29 – Hunting Island S.P., N32.441707, W-80.686587 Turn left onto Boundary Str. Drive east on US Hwy. #21 (Boundary Str./Carteret Str./Woods Memorial Bridge/Sea Island Parkway). Drive 18-20 miles. Turn left into Hunting Island S.P., at 2555 Sea Island Parkway, St. Helena Island, SC.

Trips 2, 12, 20 & 30 – Harbor Island, N32.399132, W-80.443096 Turn left onto Boundary Str. Drive east on US Hwy. #21 (Boundary Str./ Sea Island Parkway). Drive 17 miles. Turn left into Harbor Island (Harbor Dr.), which is a gated community. A leader will be there to grant you access.

Trips 3 & 32 – Combahee Unit – Interior/Woods, N32.661433, W-80.720167 Turn right onto Boundary Str. (US Hwy#21) and drive west 2 miles. Continue north on US Hwy #21 (Trask Pkwy) for 11.7 miles. Use right lane and merge onto US Hwy #17 (Charleston Hwy). Drive north for 4.5 miles. Turn left onto State Rd S-7-33 (River Road). Drive north (then west) approx. 1.5 miles (0.3 miles past Bonny Hall Cemetery), to a parking area on the left (approx. 1400 River Rd., Yemassee, SC). Turn left into the parking area.

Trips 14 & 21 – Combahee Unit – Riverside, N32.6604833, W-80.7142333 Turn right onto Boundary Str. (US Hwy#21) and head west 2 miles. Continue north on US Hwy #21 (Trask Pkwy) for 11.7 miles. Use right lane and merge onto US Hwy #17 (Charleston Hwy). Drive north for 4.5 miles. Turn left onto State Rd S-7-33 (River Road). Drive north (then west) 1.2 miles to 1435 River Rd., Yemassee, SC.

Field Trip Leader: Recommend you drive a 1-2 cars westward 0.7 miles to 1315 River Rd., N36.6622 W - 080.7271667. Drive thru the horse barn gate (not the house gate, at 1317 River Rd.). Immediately after driving thru the gate, turn left. Drive west approx.. 0.2 miles. At the river berm termination point, leave 1-2 relay cars there. If you have an issue for this area, our contact for this property is Michael Thomas, 843-812-4008.

Trips 4, 9, 22, 27 & 35 – Savannah NWR – N32.166004, W-81.115537 Turn right onto Boundary Str. (US Hwy #21) and drive west for 1.1 miles. Turn left onto SC Hwy 170 (Robert Smalls Pkwy). Drive west 35.4 miles on SC Hwy. 170. Turn left onto Laurel Hill Wildlife Drive & park. The tour will start from the parking lot immediately after turning off SC Hwy #170 (Alligator Alley) onto Laurel Hill Wildlife Drive, Hardeeville, SC.

Trips 5, 13 & 31 – Beaufort & Vicinity - Starts at the Quality Inn parking.

Trip 6 & 24 – Fripp Island – N32.336614, W-80.465434 Turn left and head east on Boundary Street, which is US Hwy #21 (Boundary Str./Carteret Str./Woods Memorial Bridge/Sea Island Parkway/Tarpon Blvd.). Drive east 21.6 miles to 1 Tarpon Blvd. At the Fripp Island security gate, Jessica Miller (Fripp Island Biologist) will meet you.

Trip 7 & 25 – Caw Caw – N32.782931, W -80.193707 Turn right onto Boundary Str. (US Hwy #21) and drive west for 2.0 miles. Turn right and continue north on US Hwy #21 (Trask Pkwy) for 11.7 miles. Turn right onto U.S. Hwy. # 17 (Charleston Hwy.). Drive 25.9 miles on US #17. Turn left into Caw Caw Interpretive Center, 5200 Savannah Highway, Ravenel, SC 29470.

Trips 8 & 10 – Bear Island WMA - N32.59287095 W-80.462965 - Turn right (west) onto US Hwy #21 (Boundary Str.). Drive west 2.0 miles. Ease right onto US Hwy # 21N (Trask Pkwy.). Drive 11.7 miles. Turn right on US Hwy # 17 (Charleston Hwy.). Drive 15.1 miles. Turn right onto Bennett's Point Rd. Drive 12.8 miles on Bennetts Point Rd. Turn right onto Ti Ti Road and drive 0.1 miles to the Bear Island WMA, Ti Ti Road, Green Pond, SC 29446.

Trip 15 – Bear Island & Bennett's Point Rd. – N32.737075 W-80.574696 – Turn right (west) onto US Hwy #21 (Boundary Str.). Drive 2.0 miles. Turn right onto Trask Pkwy. Drive 11.7 miles on Trask Pkwy. Use the right lane to merge onto US Hwy #17 North (Charleston Hwy). Continue 15.1 miles on US Hwy #17 N. Turn right onto Bennett's Point Rd. Meet with your field trip leader, at Bennett's Pt Road and US Hwy # 17.

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Trip 17 – Pinkney Island & Hilton Head Island – N32.228939 W-080.785657 – Turn right (west) onto US Hwy # 21 (Boundary Str.). Continue 1.1 miles west. Turn left onto Robert Smalls Pkwy., SC Hwy # 170 West. Continue 19.3 miles on S.C. Hwy # 170 West. Take slight right onto the ramp to Fording Island and drive 0.2 miles. Merge onto US Hwy #278 East (Fording Island Rd). Continue 10.4 miles. Turn left onto Pinckney Wildlife Refuge. Stop near the entrance, at 700 Pinckney Wildlife Refuge, Bluffton, SC 29910. Meet your field trip leader (Jack Greenshields, mobile 651-491-1851) at the entrance.

Trip 18 – Savannah NWR – N32.18818, W-81.077557
Turn right onto Boundary Str (US Hwy #21) and head west for 1.1 miles. Turn left onto SC Hwy 170 (Robert Smalls Pkwy). Drive west 31.3 miles on SC Hwy. 170. Turn right into the Kingfisher Pond Parking Lot, Savannah NWR, at 170 Speedway Blvd., Hardeeville, SC 29927. The tour will start from the Kingfisher Pond parking.

Trip 23 – Beginning Birding - Starts at the Quality Inn parking.

Trips 26 & 28 – Donnelley WMA - N32.690342 W-80.577174 Turn right onto Boundary Str. (US Hwy #21) and head west for 2.0 miles. Turn right onto US #21 N (Trask Pkwy). Continue 11.7 miles. Use the right lane, to merge onto US Hwy #17 (Charleston Hwy) north for 12.3 miles. Turn right onto Donnelley Dr., Green Pond, SC 29446. You will meet your leader at the entrance gate near intersection of Donnelley Dr. & US Hwy #17.

Trip 33 – Francis Beidler Forest – N33.2206279 W-80.354092 - Turn right (west) onto US Hwy #21 (Boundary Str.). Drive 2.0 miles. Ease right to continue on US Hwy #21N (Trask Pkwy). Drive 11.7 miles north on US Hwy #21N (Trask Pkwy). Keep left to continue on US Hwy #21. Drive 0.3 miles. At traffic circle, take 1st exit onto US Hwy #21N/US Hwy #17 ramp to Savannah. Drive 0.2 miles. Merge onto US Hwy #17S/US Hwy #21N. Follow US Hwy #17 S for 8.1 miles. Turn right and merge onto I-95N. Drive north 49 miles. Exit I-95 at Exit #82. Turn right onto US Hwy #178E. Drive 8.9 miles east on Hwy #178. (Continued top of next column.)

Trip 33 – Francis Beidler Forest (Continued) –
Turn left onto 2nd Bend Rd and drive 3.3 miles. Turn right onto right onto 1st Bend Rd/County Rd S-18-28 and drive 0.9 miles. Turn left onto Cantley Rd and drive 0.6 miles. Turn right onto Mims Rd. and drive 0.2 miles. Turn left onto Sanctuary Rd and drive 0.8 miles. At the fork in the dirt road, keep left and drive 500 ft further & park. Francis Beidler Forest, 336 Sanctuary Rd., Harleyville, SC 29448.

Trip 37 & 38 – Nemours Plantation – N32.642759 W-80.686518 - Turn right (west) onto US Hwy #21 (Boundary Str.). Drive 2.0 miles. Ease right to continue on US Hwy #21N (Trask Pkwy). Drive 11.7 miles north on US Hwy #21N (Trask Pkwy). Use the right lane to merge onto US Hwy #17N (Charleston Hwy.). Drive north 5.5 miles to approx. 870/880 Charleston Hwy, Yemassee, SC 29945 (GPS coordinates N32.650071 W-80.690889). Turn right onto Nemours Plantation Drive. Nemours Plantation Drive is a dirt road with a high center crown. Cars with low ground clearance will drag. Drive approx. 0.6 miles on this dirt driveway to Nemours Wildlife Foundation house at 161 Nemours Plantation Drive, Yemassee, SC 29945 (GPS coordinates N32.642759 W-80.686518).

Trip 39 – Kayak at Hunting Island S.P., N32.441707, W-80.686587 Turn left onto Boundary Str. Drive east on US Hwy. #21 (Boundary Str./Carteret Str./Woods Memorial Bridge/Sea Island Parkway). Drive 18-20 miles. Turn left into Hunting Island S.P., at 2555 Sea Island Parkway, St. Helena Island, SC.

Trip 40 – eBird Seminar will be in the Jasmine Room, Quality Inn at Town Center.

Trip 41 – Native Plants Seminar will be in the Garden Room, Quality Inn at Town Center.