

November 2007

Hi SCAN,

For some of us Friday was a very wet day and evening getting to and setting up for a great weekend trip to Cheraw SP. But with the recent extreme drought none of us were complaining about rain. Some of us even got to rent some cozy cabins. We all met near the park office Saturday morning under cool gray skies and after Jan's introduction we set out to explore the edge of Lake Juniper for plants and insects, finding some pitcher plants and other interesting herbaceous species like Ladies'-tresses, and Gentians.

After that we ate lunch in a rustic CCC shelter in the area of Red-cockaded Woodpecker nests but had no sightings. Then Jan took us to edge of the golf course to the back parts of the lake where we identified more plants and insects like various beetles, sundews and spiders. We also saw numerous species of golfers and those circular animals they hit with a metal stick. I think they eyed all those strange creatures with binoculars and cameras around their necks with similar curiosity (and amusement)! After this we went out of the park to a nearby Heritage Preserve that had the rare Northern Golden-Heather and also we explored Juniper Creek and bottomland which was flowing fast again due to the rain. There were other beauties there including mushrooms and butterflies. Jan and Ben even got some beetles from under a recently dead possum near the highway!

After 5 PM we got together at the a large picnic shelter on the lake for Wayne, Johnny and Jerry's delicious BBQ and beef stew dishes and Johnny's mouthwatering peach cobbler cooked in a kettle over a fire. Nobody was hungry after that incredible meal. Thanks again guys and everybody who brought food. Afterwards many of us sat in lounge chairs on the edge of the lake as the sun set gorgeously in front of us with clearing skies.

Sunday we met at 10am at the Sandhills NWR near McBee and enjoyed the bog areas of Lake Bee and then we were given access by the refuge staff to a very fine example of a fire-maintained longleaf pine habitat that had Pixie Moss and Trailing Arbutus and Pine-barren Gentian. Thanks to Jan and the staffs of both facilities for their hospitality.

I hope you will join us again on our next trips: a President's special return to Little Mountain Nov 10th and our Nov.17th trip to the Little Pee Dee State Park Heritage Preserve.

Jules Fraytet SCAN President 2007

Little Pee Dee State Park Bay Heritage Preserve Dillon County, SC November 17, 2007, 10:30AM (Gordon Murphy)

Little Pee Dee State Park Bay Heritage Preserve provides an opportunity to explore several different Coastal Plain habitats with just one trip. This field trip will be similar to our October trip in that we will travel by car to three different locations during the day. We will start the day out in a back-water swamp associated with the Little Pee Dee River. During the recent scouting trip, there was no water present due to the drought, but watch the weather reports for rain in the Pee Dee region and bring the appropriate footwear, or the swamp can also be easily viewed from the edge. At this same stop we will have the opportunity to check out a small pocosin wetland and xeric sandhill scrub habitats.

Stop number two will be on the sand rim of a Carolina bay. Here we will explore the xeric habitat of the rim and work our way into the bay itself. Vegetation around the edge and in the bay is relatively dense but there is a small opening close to where we will park that should provide us access. We can also access additional bay forest (not confined within a Carolina bay) at this stop.

The third stop will be along the park access road at the trail head for the Beaver Pond nature trail. The trail is approximately one-mile long (round trip) and makes its way through long-leaf and loblolly pine stands before arriving at a beaver pond dominated by herbaceous species and small shrubs. It is an easy trail to hike. During the scouting trip a fox squirrel and a glass lizard were observed in the pine forest near the trail.

We should be able to eat lunch at the cars between stops. There are restroom facilities at the park. Bring lunch, water, bug spray, etc.

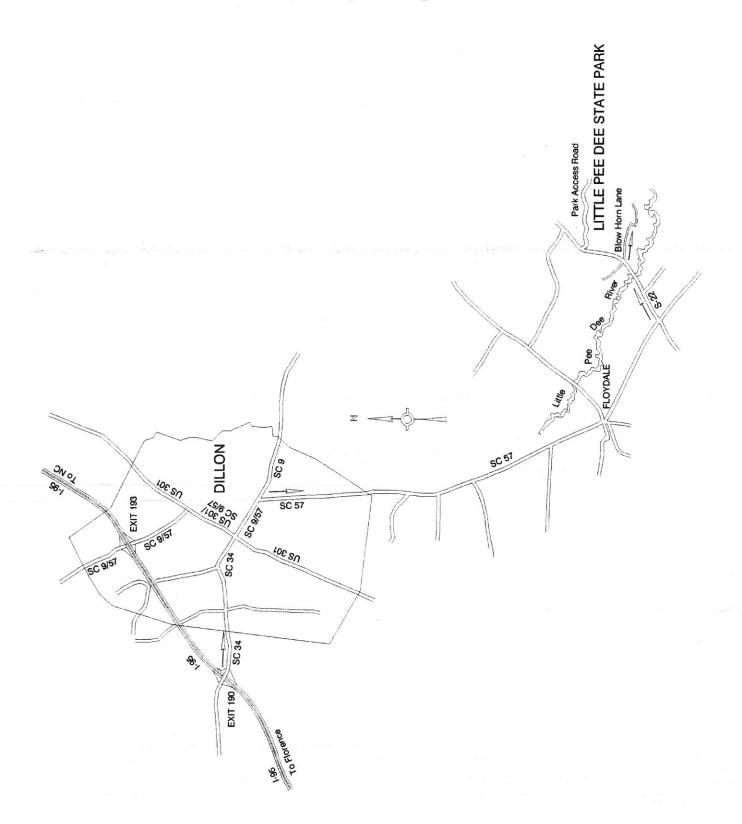
Shuler's BBQ, off SC Route 38, is the recommended dinner location.

http://www.dnr.sc.gov/managed/heritage/lilpdsp/description.html

Directions: From Exit 190 off I-95, take SC Route 34 to Dillon. SC Route 34 will cross US Highway 301 and at that point becomes SC Route 9/SC Route 57. When SC Route 57 and SC Route 9 split (0.75-mile after crossing US Highway 301), take SC Route 57 to the right toward Floydale. At approximately 8.25 miles, take a left onto State Park Road (S-22). Take State Park Road approximately 1.25 miles (you will cross two bridges) and turn right onto the first dirt road after crossing the bridges (Blow Horn Lane). Our first stop is approximately 0.25-mile down this road. If you need to get in touch with me, my cell phone number is 803-530-2395.

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Map to Little Pee Dee State Park Bay Heritage Preserve



Lynchburg Savanna Heritage Preserve — Lee Co., SC — September 22, 2007

This list was produced by SCAN from sightings supplied 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 & Mary Garland Douglass-Jones at prestoea@bellsouth.net. Please indicate exactly to which flora/fauna list you are referring. Thank you.

FLORA

Royal Fern

Osmunda regalis spectabilis

Bracken

Pteridium aquilinum Virginia Chain Fern

Woodwardia virginica

Longleaf Pine

Pinus palustris

Pond Pine

Pinus serotina

Loblolly Pine

Pinus taeda

Pond-cypress

Taxodium ascendens

Florida Peanut-grass

* Amphicarpum muhlenbergianum

Toothache Grass Ctenium aromaticum

Eastern Beard Grass

Gymnopogon ambiguus

Hairgrass

Muhlenbergia capillaris Savanna Hairgrass

Muhlenbergia expansa **Beaked Panic Grass**

Panicum anceps

Giant Plume Grass Saccharum giganteum

Yellow Indiangrass Sorghastrum nutans

Common Stargrass Hypoxis hirsuta

Coastal Plain Bog Asphodel Triantha racemosa

Sweetbay

Magnolia virginiana

Swamp Bay

Persea palustris

Sassafras

Sassafras albidum

Sweet Gum

Liquidambar styraciflua

Common Wax-myrtle Morella cerifera

Running Oak

Quercus elliottii

Sand Post Oak

Quercus margaretta

Blackjack Oak

Quercus marilandica marilandica

Water Oak

Quercus nigra

Willow Oak

Quercus phellos

St.-John's-wort

Hypericum cistifolium

St. Andrew's Cross

Hypericum crux-andreae

Pineweed

Hypericum gentianoides St.-John's-wort

Hypericum stragulum

Yellow Pitcherplant;

Trumpets

Sarracenia flava

Hooded Pitcherplant Sarracenia minor minor

Dwarf Upland Willow Salix occidentalis

Coastal Sweet Pepperbush Clethra alnifolia

Maleberry; He-huckleberry Lyonia ligustrina

Honey-cups

Zenobia pulverulenta

American Persimmon Diospyros virginiana

Red Chokeberry

Aronia arbutifolia

Black Cherry

Prunus serotina serotina

Common Partridge-pea Chamaecrista fasciculata fasciculata

Butterfly Pea

Clitoria mariana mariana

Tick-trefoil

Desmodium ciliare

Narrow-leaved Lespedeza Lespedeza angustifolia

Violet Lespedeza

Lespedeza frutescens

Virginia Lespedeza

Lespedeza virginica

Eastern Sampson'ssnakeroot

Orbexilum pedunculatum psoralioides

Pencil-flower

Stylosanthes biflora

Goat's-rue

Tephrosia hispidula Savanna Seedbox

Ludwigia virgata

Sundrops

Oenothera fruticosa

Smooth Meadow-beauty Rhexia alifanus

Meadow-beauty

Rhexia mariana **Swamp Tupelo**

Nyssa biflora

Blg Gallberry llex coriacea

serotinum

American Mistletoe

Little Gallberry; Inkberry llex glabra

Phoradendron serotinum

Woolly Croton

* Croton capitatus

capitatus

White Sandhills Spurge Euphorbia curtisii

Virginia Yellow Flax Linum virginianum

Orange Milkwort Polygala lutea

Maryland Milkwort Polygala mariana

Red Maple

Acer rubrum

Winged Sumac Rhus copallinum

Poison Oak

Toxicodendron pubescens

Rattlesnake-master

Eryngium yuccifolium

Narrowleaf Rose-pink Sabatia brachiata

Savanna Mountain-mint Pycnanthemum flexuosum

Mad Dog Skullcap Scutellaria lateriflora

Mecardonia

Mecardonia acuminata acuminata

Purple-foxglove

Agalinis linifolia Purple-foxglove

Agalinis obtusifolia Savanna Bluehearts

Buchnera floridana Senna Seymeria

Seymeria cassioides Trumpet-creeper Campsis radicans

Lobelia

Lobelia canbyi

Lobelia

Lobelia puberula

Poorjoe

Diodia teres

Buttonweed

Diodia virginiana

Common Ragweed

Ambrosia artemisiifolia Silverling; Groundsel Tree

Baccharis halimifolia Rayless-goldenrod

Bigelowia nudata nudata Sandhill Thistle

Cirsium repandum Horseweed

Convza canadenss

Savanna Coreopsis Coreopsis linifolia

Coreopsis

Coreopsis major

White-bracted

Thoroughwort

Eupatorium album album Common Dog-fennel

Eupatorium capillifolium

Hyssopleaf Eupatorium

Eupatorium hyssopifolium Savanna Eupatorium

Eupatorium leucolepis

Ragged Eupatorium

Eupatorium pilosum Recurved Eupatorium

Eupatorium recurvans

Common Roundleaf **Eupatorium**

Eupatorium rotundifolium

Flat-topped Goldenrod Euthamia caroliniana

Narrowleaf Sunflower

Helianthus angustifolius Stiff-leaved Aster

Ionactis linariifolia Grass-leaved Golden-aster

* Pityopsis graminifolia latifolia

Long-stalked Aster Symphyotrichum

dumosum **American Aster**

Symphyotrichum walteri

Ironweed

Vernonia acaulis Ironweed

Vernonia angustifolia

Blazing-star

Liatris graminifolia

Marsh-fleabane

Pluchea rosea

Slim Goldenrod Solidago stricta

Sweet Goldenrod Solidago odora

Goldenrod

Solidago tortifolia Barbara's-buttons Marshallia graminifolia

FAUNA

Bowl-and-doily Spider

Frontinella pyramitela **Orchard Spider**

Leucauge venusta

Green Lynx Spider Peucetia viridans

Carolina Locust Dissosteira carolina

Sand Grasshopper Spharagemon sp.

American Bird Grasshopper Schistocerca americana

Annual Cicada Tibicen sp.

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Common Green Darner
Anax junius
Wandering Glider
Pantala flavescens
Eastern Tiger Swallowtail
Papilio glaucus
Palamedes Swallowtail
Papilio palamedes
Orange Sulphur

Colias eurytheme Cloudless Sulphur

Phoebis sennae eubule Little Yellow (butterfly) Eurema lisa

Sleepy Orange (butterfly)

Eurema nicippe

Red-banded Hairstreak Calycopis cecrops

Gray Hairstreak
Strymon melinus
Eastern Tailed-

Everes comyntas Variegated Fritillary Euptoieta claudia

blue(butterfly)

Pearl Crescent (butterfly)

Phyciodes tharos

Common Buckeye

Junonia coenia

Viceroy; Mimic

Limenitis archippus

Carolina Satyr (butterfly)

Hermeuptychia sosybius
Common Wood-nymph

(butterfly)

Cercyonis pegala pegala

Monarch (butterfly)

Danaus plexippus

Silver-spotted Skipper

Epargyreus clarus
Southern Cloudywing

Thorybes bathyllus
Horace's Duskywing

Erynnis horatius
Common Checkeredskipper

Pyrgus communis Swarthy Skipper Nastra Iherminier

Clouded Skipper
Lerema accius
Southern Skipperling

Copaeodes minimus

Fiery Skipper
Hylephila phyleus

Whirlabout (skipper butterfly)

Polites vibex

Dun Skipper Euphys vestris

Eufala Skipper Lerodea eufala

Large Lace-border Moth Scopula limboundata enucleata

Rough Green Snake Opheodrys aestivus

Wood Stork
Mycteria americana
Killdeer

Charadrius vociferus

Turkey Vulture
Cathartes aura
Downy Woodpecker

Picoides pubescens

Pileated Woodpecker
Dryocopus pileatus

Blue Jay Cyanocitta cristata American Crow; Common

Corvus brachyrhynchos

Tufted Titmouse
Parus bicolor

Carolina Chickadee
Parus carolinensis

Brown-headed Nuthatch Sitta pusilla

Carolina Wren

Thryothorus ludovicianus

Eastern Bluebird Sialia sialis

Pine Warbler Dendroica pinus

Common Yellowthroat Geothlypis trichas

Indigo Bunting
Passerina cyanea

Eastern Towhee

Pipilo erythrophthalmus Bachman's Sparrow

Bachman's Sparrow

Aimophila aestivalis
Field Sparrow

Spizella pusilla
American Goldfinch
Carduelis tristis

White-tailed Deer
Odocoileus virginianus

Newsletter Importunities and Computer Problems, Ben Gregory

Most of you did not receive a paper newsletter for September and October due to a series of computer problems. I apologize to each of you who did not receive your paper newsletter. The newsletters for September and October were sent to you via email. I will send you a paper newsletter and an email newsletter for November.

SCAN's computer problems should be solved, for the most part, by November 14. Thank you.