July 2020 Upcoming Programs

**Snorkel/Swim Adventure- Lighthouse Point Park**  
July 8, 10:00 am–12:00 pm Wednesday  
Bring your snorkeling gear and sense of adventure to learn about the wonders of this underwater ecosystem. Participants will learn about various marine species, while snorkeling the high slack tide near Ponce DeLeon Inlet. Participants must be able to swim, have their own equipment, and anyone under the age of 18 will be required to wear a Personal Floatation Device (PFD) and be accompanied by an adult guardian at all times. **Meet at Light House Point Park 5000 S. Atlantic Ave., Ponce Inlet.**

**Waterbody Paddle- Riverbreeze Park**  
July 10, 9:00 – 11:00 am Friday  
Explore the northern end of the Indian River Lagoon while paddling from Riverbreeze Park to surrounding areas. Participants may have the opportunity to see a variety of organisms including manatees, dolphins, and different species of birds. Must have Kayak/Canoe/SUP, life preserver and whistle. **Meet 250 HH Burch Rd, Oak Hill. 32759.**

**Beach walk and Debris Removal- Ester Park**  
July 11, 8:30 – 10:30 am Saturday  
Enjoy a wonderful walk on the beach while being informed on the importance of dune systems. During the walk, participants will be asked to help with debris removal from the beach. Microplastics, ocean debris, and recycling will also be important topics that are covered. Meet at 551 Ester St. New Smyrna Beach (please review parking area requirements, free to Volusia County Residents with a parking permit. [https://permitsnsb.rmcpay.com/#account_start](https://permitsnsb.rmcpay.com/#account_start)).

**Beach Bike- Esther Park**  
July 15, 9:00 – 11:00 am Wednesday  
Take a leisurely ride from Ester Park to Ponce De Leon Inlet and back (approximately five-mile total trip). During the ride participants will learn about wrack lines, marine mammals, sea turtle nesting, and much more. Participants are required to wear a helmet and bring their own bicycle (large tired bike recommended). **Meet at 551 Esther St. New Smyrna Beach, 32169.** (please review parking area requirements, free to Volusia County Residents with a parking permit. [https://permitsnsb.rmcpay.com/#account_start](https://permitsnsb.rmcpay.com/#account_start)).
Seine net- Spruce Creek Park        July 18, 9:00-11:00 am Saturday
Join us on a seining adventure [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Seine_fishing](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Seine_fishing)! Participants will have the opportunity to use a seventy-foot basket seine net to observe a variety of local organisms, and learn about microplastics, the harm they are causing in the environment and ways to cut down on the impact. **Meet at 6250 S Ridgewood Ave, Port Orange, 32127.**

Waterbody Paddle - Blue Spring        July 28, 9:00 am - 11:00 am Tuesday
Bring a canoe, kayak, or SUP for a leisurely paddling trip near Blue Spring State Park to explore the area while learning about local wildlife and the history of the area. Participants will also learn about water quality and the importance of Florida’s springs as a manatee refuge. Must have Kayak/Canoe/SUP, life preserver and whistle. **Meet at the end of W. French Avenue in Orange city. About 1 mile past Blue Spring State Park Entrance.**

Snorkel Program- Blue Spring State Park “paid Entry”        July 30, 8:30 – 10:30 am Thursday
Bring your snorkel gear to explore the wonders of the spring habitat. Participants will get the opportunity to learn about the importance of springs while enjoying crystal clear “72°F” water. Participants must be able to swim, have their own equipment, and anyone under the age of 18 will be required to wear a Personal Floatation Device (PFD) and be accompanied by an adult guardian at all times. There will be a park entrance fee for admittance to the park ($6 per vehicle. Limit 2-8 people in vehicle, $4 for Single Occupant, $2 Pedestrians, bicyclists, extra passengers, passengers in vehicle with holder of Annual Individual Entrance Pass. **Meet at 2100 W. French Ave. Orange City, FL 32763.**