Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy at 23

This December marks the end of the Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy’s 23rd year and it has been a great year! We have:
• Transferred four new lots to SIPOA for conservation
• Conducted a successful online fundraising campaign to purchase Lot 6, Old Oak Walk
• Collaborated with the Kiawah Conservancy on Native Plant initiatives, including a native plant sale at Freshfields Village with planting templates
• Welcomed three new members to the Board
• Installed conservation lot markers
• Hosted the first Oyster Roast Fundraiser
• Sponsored a presentation on the Angel Oak Preserve

New SIGSC sign posted on conservation lots

Karin exclaimed that the “acquisition process was seamless. SIGSC did all the work!”

In the same neighborhood as the Cap’n Sam’s lot, Hank and Laurel Greer contributed more than $90,000. SIGSC was able to purchase the lot in October. This lot is part of a cluster of 8 conservation lots in the neighborhood and, like the others, is being transferred to the Seabrook Island Property Owners Association with a permanent conservation easement.

As 2023 comes to an end, the board of the Seabrook Island Green Space Conservancy is profoundly grateful for the generosity and support provided by the community as we continue the important work of conserving environmental gems and wildlife habitats on beautiful Seabrook Island. We will continue to work hard to help preserve all that people love about the Island.

2023 Veteran’s Day Charitable Golf Outing

On Monday, November 6, 2023 Low Country golfers teed up in the 12th Annual Seabrook Island Veteran’s Day Charitable Golf Tournament to recognize veterans and raise money to support the Charleston Fisher House and the Ralph Johnson Veterans Hospital in Charleston. The event is sponsored by the Seabrook Island Club and the Kiawah-Seabrook Exchange Club.

During the opening ceremonies, the flag was presented by the St. Johns High School Jr. ROTC, Color Guard and WWII veteran Ed Gillen was recognized for his service. The Seabrook Island Club hosted 300 golfers including 20 Wounded Warriors who wanted to show their support for veterans of all eras. The event raised $42,000 for the Fisher House and Ralph Johnson Charleston Veterans Hospital.

The Ocean Winds Flight winning team was composed of Art Boozer, Phil Richardson, David Seignious, and Bray Blanto. The Crooked Oaks flight winners were Charlie Templeton, Carl Lunquist, Stephen Duce, and Wounded Warrior Stanley Charanlin. The event in 2024 will be on Monday, November 11.

Fawns and pileated woodpecker are representative of the wildlife to be found on conserved lots PHOTOS BY GLEN COX

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Presentation of check: (L-R) Alan Armstrong (Kiawah-Seabrook Exchange Club), Dwight Kress (VA Hospital), Dr. Blase Cardinale (Fisher House), Brian Thelen (SI Club)

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Sea turtle season marked by high nest numbers but also high tides, predation

By CDD Staff / Courtesy of SCNDR

The Lowcountry’s sea turtle nesting season officially concluded November 17 with a total of 1,020 nests for the season—a higher-than-average year that was impacted by losses from tropical storm Hilda, high tides, and predators.

Anomalies in sea level rise and storms as well as high water levels were evident throughout the nesting season, which kicked off on May 5, 2023, and reached a peak in the first week of July. Loggerheads lay the vast majority of eggs in South Carolina, but 2022 also saw 13 nests and two Kemp’s ridley sea turtle nests.

In late August, Hilda moved into North Carolina as a tropical storm and impacted the coastal waters. The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) was prepared for a bigger number of nesting sites, said the agency’s nest protection program.

An estimated 600 nests drowned during the storm and the name of sea level rise, storms, and predators are now combined with continually eroding beachlines, coastal development, the loss of nesting habitat, and heavy rainfall.

In 2023, the vast majority of nests in South Carolina were recorded in the Cape, HHI, and Edisto areas, while the remaining nests were concentrated in the coastal areas of north and south Carolina. A total of 6,628 nests were certified by the Charleston County Board of Canvassers on November 10 with a total of 6,628 nests for the season—134 more than the total of 2023.

An overall, two islands in the Cape and LightHouse Islands—Cape and LightHouse Islands—were the highest nest density, comprising roughly 20% of the total nests. The nesting season in 2023 was the highest on record for South Carolina, with 2023 nests reaching a total of 2023 nests. High nest numbers are good news, but they’re only part of the equation—the influx of loggerhead and green turtles has significant impacts on marine life and coastal communities.

The SCDNR is still accepting bring your best photo and video of the nesting season to the Seabrook Island Racquet Club or Golf Shop.

Use of South Carolina’s coastal waterways is increasing, and the SCDNR has a扭转 its nesting protection program to help nesting turtles and their eggs.

The SCDNR has seen an increase in nests at the coast of South Carolina beaches in 2023. One of the state’s turtle nesting hotspots has seen a decline in the years 2021 and 2022, while another has seen an increase in nests numbers around 2021.

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"Show and Go" Group

Winter is one of the tastiest seasons of the year for many Southerners, you can skip the frozen turkey and try a fresh approach. Some of our favorite substitutes for turkey are quail or duck with cranberry sauce, sweet potato casserole, cornbread dressing and a bourbon pecan pie. For many Southerners, you can skip the frozen turkey and try a fresh approach. Some of our favorite substitutes for turkey are quail or duck with cranberry sauce, sweet potato casserole, cornbread dressing and a bourbon pecan pie.

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4. Make your own wreaths

Christmas wreaths are a timeless and simple way to take your outdoor decor to the next level. From runners, to centerpieces or to propose a trip on another day/time. Happy Kayaking!
Deer season is here and while that may be a beneficial harvest season for many, it should also be of utmost concern for others. According to a Higher Love Loss Data foundation, the number of fatal机动车 collisions that result in the deaths of deer has increased by 6% from 2015 to 2022. This has greatly detracted from the value of the majority of industrialized countries. With 42% of adults in the US now obese, there is a very high association between obesity and various health conditions such as heart disease, stroke, diabetes, and some cancers. Unfortunately, some of these conditions can be prevented, but many are not. According to the AARP, the majority of life-threatening injuries are caused by accidents. The most common cause of death in the United States has recently been motor vehicle accidents. Of the total 40,000 annual deaths, 32,000 are caused by motor vehicle accidents. Life insurance companies are reporting a significant increase in the number of claims due to these accidents. While the data does not include information about the effects of the annual spike in traffic, nearly half of all vehicle collisions occur in the same month. Therefore, it is important for drivers to be aware of these trends.

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What to do if you hit a deer

When you hit a deer, the first thing you should do is assess the situation. If you are able to safely get out of your vehicle, you should take photos of the scene and note the direction of travel. You should also try to locate the owner of the animal and report the incident to them. If you are unable to locate the owner, you should contact the police or your local animal control agency to report the incident. If you are unable to get out of your vehicle, you should try to move it to a safe location and call for help. If you are unable to move your vehicle, you should call for help to remove it from the road.

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I'm pretty sure I suffer from "but first" disease. You know the one: I want to do laundry but first I’m going to turn on the TV and check the score. Here we are in the middle of the holiday season with a longer than normal to-do list, so it would really help to stay focused and on point. Instead, I find myself going distracted. We recently relocated to a island off of South Carolina, the pristine barrier island of Seabrook. My husband and I have a new home away from home, a getaway from the daily stress of work and life and routine. The ability to simply sit, listen and watch the wildlife that share our yard with deer, opossum, and raccoons lets us forget the new home is all windows, with captivating views across the pond and marsh behind us. Thanks to you…. or researchers better understanding their topic based on your observations. The process is simple. We will set a date and time to film a series of interviews, each typically lasting 30-45 minutes. Veterans interested in being interviewed should contact Tina Mayland at tinamayland@mindspring.com or by phone at 843-822-3646. All veterans are encouraged to participate, whether you were in combat or not. Also, we are looking for volunteers who are interested in being trained to interview veterans. If you are willing to dedicate a day or two a week in the Veterans History Project, we will consider participating.

The Library of Congress and available for viewing via their website. Imagine your great-great grandchildren being able to "walk" you and learn about your life and experiences, as young people continue to serve in the military. The Veterans History Project is to collect, preserve and make accessible the firsthand accounts of U.S. military veterans. What’s your future generation can learn from you veterans and better understand what they are now, the past and their future. All of these thousands of interviews are an opportunity to capture your experiences and stories. They are stored at the Library of Congress and available for reviewing via their website. Imagine your great-great grandchildren being able to "walk" you and learn about your life and experiences, as young people continue to serve in the military. The Veterans History Project is to collect, preserve and make accessible the firsthand accounts of U.S. military veterans. What’s your future generation can learn from you veterans and better understand what they are now, the past and their future. All of these thousands of interviews are an opportunity to capture your experiences and stories. They are stored at the Library of Congress and available for reviewing via their website.

Happy Holidays
From our home to yours…we wish you a joyful holiday season and a healthy and happy new year.

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Third Serve Rallies and Scores on Seabrook Island!

Seabrook is now home to the 3rd Serve Foundation—an exciting new opportunity for Seabrook Island students who receive free tennis lessons.

Third Serve Foundation — Introducing tennis lessons to students in the Charleston area

From the意識性 (-conscious) wave to the energy of the physical world, the Third Serve Foundation is dedicated to engaging students in the game of tennis and instilling a love for the sport.

The Third Serve Foundation, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization providing access to tennis lessons to underprivileged youth in the Charleston area. Third Serve was co-founded in 2023 by Jonathan Bard, Director of Tennis at Seabrook Island and E.L. Frierson Elementary School. Third Serve provides tennis programming for students grades 3-8 and is committed to providing a pathway for all children to enjoy tennis.

Thank you for considering a donation to this exciting new opportunity for Seabrook Island!
Creek, hike the short 8/10th mile nature trail, and learn about the history of the bridge. Today the bridge and the surrounding 18.65 acre property are home to a number of plant and animal species, including the endangered American bald eagle. In fact, the bald eagle has been known to frequent the area, and it is not unusual to see them soaring overhead. The bridge itself is an important part of the history of the area, having been built in the early 19th century as a way to cross the river. It has since been restored and is a popular spot for birdwatching and photography. A short nature trail leads to a viewing platform where you can get close to the river and observe the wildlife. It is a peaceful and serene place, perfect for a quiet evening or a morning walk. The bridge is also part of a larger network of trails that connect the area to other natural areas and parks, making it a great place for a longer hike or a overnight backpacking trip. Whether you are a nature lover or just looking for a quiet place to relax, the bridge and the surrounding area are worth a visit.

Bella Gray McCurry - An Extraordinary Teenager
Written by Sue Dostal

At the age of 14, her first commission of $3,000 was for Half Moon Island Conservation for their work with turtles. Bella Gray McCurry is a North Carolina artist who has lived on the coast all her life. She is known for her paintings of marine life, particularly dolphins and birds. In 2018, when she was just 14 years old, she sold her first painting to a museum. Since then, her art has been featured in several exhibitions across the country. Bella is also an activist, using her art to raise awareness about the dangers to marine life, particularly dolphins, and doesn't like to be told what to do. She is fondly a time when her grandfather took her to swim with dolphins when she was young. She remembers that time well - she saved the money she earned - and she realized the pictures of marine life weren't enough for her. She learned early about the dangers to marine life, dolphins in particular. Why dolphins, you ask? She remembers that her grandfather told her that dolphins have a mind of their own and that they can understand human language. They also play a significant role in the ecosystem by regulating populations of other species and helping to maintain the balance of the marine food web. Longer than expected, the news到时候 was a significant day for the conservation of dolphins and the ecological balance of the ocean. Bella Gray McCurry plans to continue her work in art will continue (primarily on the marine life theme) and donate her proceeds to conservation organizations. They also plan exhibitions and sales on both Facebook and Instagram. Bella Gray McCurry (@BellaGrayMCC) plays an active role in protecting marine mammals through educational outreach and conservation efforts. She is a role model for both children and adults, and her story is an inspiration to all who care about the environment and the well-being of marine life. She is a true ambassador for the cause of marine conservation, and her work and dedication are an inspiration to us all.

I TooK My English Dad to an American Football Game
Exploring an NFL experience in London

Of all the things that amazed me the most about the USA, it was the football. It was like being on another planet! We went to a game in London, and it was an incredible experience. The stadium was packed, and the atmosphere was electric. People were cheering and shouting, and the energy was palpable. It was a privilege to experience this American tradition in the UK. I was fascinated by the rules and conventions that are different in a number of pretty important ways. Some things were very different than what I was used to in the UK, like the lack of overtime in the NFL. No, there is no longer time, but in the UK, the game continues until one team has scored an equal number of goals. The NFL is a unique sport, and it is not something that one can easily explain to someone who has never watched an NFL game. It is a fast-paced, high-energy sport that is not for the faint of heart. I hope that I can revisit this sport some day, but it is something that will always be special to me.
"Paws and Pools!" Canines Make a Splash at the Ultimate Dog Pool Party!

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Lake View | 4 BR | 3 BA | 3,116 SF

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