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FRIENDS
OF THE
NOXUBEE
WILDLIFE
REFUGE
Summer
2018

- WINNERS LEFT TO RIGHT
- 2ND PLACE WOMEN'S MARY BETH WOODWARD
- 1ST PLACE WOMEN'S MEGGAN FRANKS
- 1ST PLACE MEN'S TREY McMULLAN
- 2ND PLACE MEN'S ANDREW EAVES

CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED
IN OUR 1ST ANNUAL NOXUBEE REFUGE GATOR RUN!!!!



Photos from around the Nox



Photo Credit Keith Martin



Photo Credit Will Bryant



Photo Credit Mac Lochala

Letter from the President

Warm, sunny weather is finally here and the wildlife is stirring! Get out to the Refuge to enjoy it and pick up some souvenirs in the Friends Nature Store located in the Visitor Center. There are t-shirts, hammocks, and caps galore! All proceeds from the store go to the Friends of the Refuge and used to assist with Refuge projects.

Canoe days have resumed and are held the 3rd Saturday of each month at the boat ramp behind the Visitors Center. The next canoe day is May 19th, 9 am -3 pm. There will also be a Kids Fishing Day on May 19th, 8am -10am. During the Fishing Day, there will also be the opportunity for kids to do some artwork.

Our next Nature Series will be held on June 7 at 6:30 in the Visitor Center. The speaker will be Blake Layton and the program will be Mississippi's Miniature Wildlife, a discussion of mostly non-pest insects and spiders in the state.

Save the date: Saturday, October 20, 10-2. Friends of the Refuge are working to bring back Refuge Day! Keep an eye out for more information on the webpage or Facebook.

Don't forget about the Friends car tag: specialty tag fee will be paid by the Friends for the first year for the first 300 applications. You can email the completed form to friendsofnoxubeerefuge@gmail.com = the form can be found at friends-of-noxubee-refuge.org

See you at the Refuge!

Kara Roberts President FONR

SPOTLIGHT ON NATURE

FEATURING KEITH MARTIN

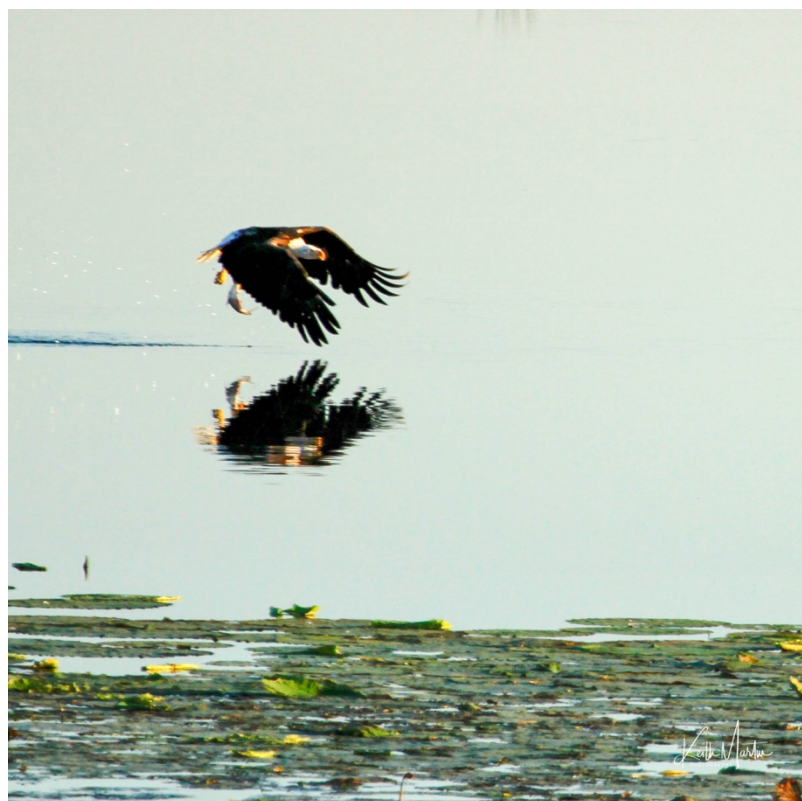


We have all captured an alligator on a log sunning, but I was looking for something different. Three weeks ago, while visiting the Noxubee Wildlife Refuge, I spotted an alligator on a log with a large fish in its mouth. I set up my camera on the tripod and waited an hour and then nothing happened! The alligator just lay there with the fish in its mouth. I decided to go back through Noxubee one more time before leaving to get some more nature shots. It must have been about thirty minutes before I passed by the alligator again. As I approached the alligator with my camera, I saw the gator begin to

move and knew it was about to eat the fish, so I quickly prepared myself to begin to take frame by frame of the gator eating the fish. (Later I found out that it was a spotted gar fish)



On one of my first outings at Noxubee, I was able to capture an eagle catching a fish. This was something that was on the top of my photo bucket list. It was in the early morning on a summer day when my wife & I spotted the eagle flying over the lake. I was focusing my camera on the eagle when suddenly it spotted a fish and dove down over the water. The first attempt it missed, but on the second attempt it caught its prey! I have been hooked on going to the Noxubee Refuge ever since!!!!



Noxubee Wildlife Refuge Summer Calendar

May 19 Canoe Day

May 19 kids free fishing day

(no prizes) and art day. 8am-10-am



June 7 Noxubee Nature Series: 6:30 pm

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Blake Layton will discuss Mississippi

Miniature Wildlife, non-pest insects and spiders in the state

June 16 Canoe Day

July 21 Canoe Day



Application

Specialty Car Tag

“Friends of Wildlife Refuges”

(Authorized by State Legislature – 2017)



(All fields are required by the State; if submitting by email, make sure to include your signature.)

Motor Vehicle Owner Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, ST Zip: _____

County of Residence: _____

Current Tag Number: _____

Specialty Fee: \$31 - paid by Friends of Noxubee Refuge for first 300 applicants for first year of tag; subsequent years paid by applicant when tag is renewed.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

- The MS Department of Revenue will begin production of these distinctive tags after 300 tag applications have been submitted.
- The applicant will be notified that his/her tag may be picked up at the tax collector’s office in his/her county of residence within 60 days. (If tag not picked up within 60 days of notification, an additional specialty fee of \$31 will be required, this time from the applicant.)
- The specialty tag may be transferred to a vehicle different than the one with the tag number listed above.
- In subsequent years when purchasing this specialty tag, \$24 of the Specialty Fee is tax deductible as a charitable contribution.

Submit application by mail:

Friends of Noxubee Refuge
 Attn: Specialty Car Tag
 13723 Bluff Lake Road
 Brooksville, MS 39739

Submit application by e-mail to:

Friendsofnoxubeerefuge@gmail.com
 (Please put “Specialty Car Tag” in the subject line.)



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