

Events Calendar

For a list of ongoing activities and events offered at our major attractions, please contact them directly or go to crystalcoastnc.org/events.

- **Beaufort Historic Site**, 728-5225
- **Cape Lookout National Seashore**, 728-2250
- **Core Sound Waterfowl Museum**, 728-1500
- **Fort Macon State Park**, 726-3775
- **History Museum of Carteret County**, 247-7533
- **North Carolina Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores**, 247-4003
- **North Carolina Maritime Museum**, 728-7317

Fort Macon Musket Firing Demonstration. July 1, 2, 8, 9, 22, 23, 29, 30; 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Learn about a Civil War-era musket's history, loading procedures and firing. Meet at the fort. Future dates: August 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, 27.

Flags of Fort Macon and the Confederacy. July 3, 10 a.m. Meet at the visitor center to learn about the wide range of flags used by the Confederacy during the Civil War. Future dates: August 7, September 4, October 2, November 6, December 4.

Cannon Day at Fort Macon. July 4, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Cannon demonstrations at 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m. Future dates: August 5, September 2.

Pine Knoll Shores Fourth of July Parade. July 4, 10 a.m., beginning at Garner Park. Decorate everything with red, white and blue and come join the fun. Drinks and watermelon will be provided.

Conservation Wednesdays: Queen Anne's Revenge. July 5, 12, 19, 26; 10 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. at the NC Maritime Museum at 315 Front Street in Beaufort. A conservator will be available to answer questions about the processes required to conserve the thousands of artifacts recovered from the Queen Anne's Revenge site. Free. Call 728-7317 for details. Future dates: every Wednesday through December.

Fort Macon Evening Gun. July 5, 12, 19, 26; 4 p.m. Meet in the fort to watch a 19th century cannon be loaded and fired in the military tradition of "Evening Gun." US Coast Guard Base Fort Macon will provide the cannon crew. Future dates: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

Natural Side of Fort Macon Hike. July 6, 13, 20, 27; 10 a.m. Meet in the visitor center. The hike will cover both trail and beach. Future dates: August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31.

Summer Concert in the Fort: Wild Honey. July 7, 6:30-8 p.m., at Fort Macon. Bring a folding chair and enjoy an hour-long concert.

Turtle Talk at Fort Macon. July 7, 10:30 a.m. Meet at the bathhouse to learn about the different species of sea turtles that call our oceans home. Future date: August 4.

Beach Clean-up. July 10, 9 a.m., at the Iron Steamer beach access. See "What's Up With PARC?" in this issue of *The Shoreline* for details.

Fort Macon Bird Hike. July 10, 9 a.m. Meet at the visitor center and take a leisurely hike to identify birds native to the area. Future dates: August 14, September 11, October 9, November 13, December 11.

Shackleford Banks: Horses, Hiking and History. July 11, August 3; 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Guided hike on Shackleford Banks. Not suitable for children under 12. Advance reservations required. Sponsored by the NC Maritime Museum, 315 Front Street, Beaufort. Call 728-7317 to register or for more information. Fee: \$25. Future date: September 20.

Fort Macon Seashells. July 14, 10:30 a.m. Join a ranger at Fort Macon's swim beach looking for and talking about some of the shells that can be found along our coast. Future dates: August 11.

Friday Free Flick. July 14, 7 p.m. at the Emerald Isle Community Center. Movies are family oriented. Free and open to the public; children must be accompanied by an adult. Popcorn and drink for \$1. Bring chairs and/or blankets. No outside beverages or snacks. Call 354-6350 for movie title one week prior to showing. Future dates: August 11, September 8, October 13, November 10, December 8.

Fort Macon Jr. Ranger Day. July 13 & 24, 2-4:30 p.m. Kids ages 6-12 work with a park ranger to earn their Jr. Ranger Patch. Space is limited, and children must be accompanied by an adult. Call 726-3775 to register. Future dates: August 3 & 17.

Carteret County Parks & Recreation Beach Run Series. July 13 & 27. Events are held at the Atlantic Beach Circle and feature 1 mile, 5k or 10k runs—and are open to all ages and experience levels. \$50 for the series (includes t-shirt) or \$7 per race. Registration begins at 5:15 p.m.; races begin at 6:30. Call 808-3301 for more information or to register. Future date: August 15.

Living History Weekend at Fort Macon. July 15-16, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Reenactors with the 1st NC Volunteers will present special living history events and programs. A skirmish scenario will take place at 1:30 p.m. each day. Future dates: September 23-24.

Astronomy at Fort Macon. July 27, 8:30 p.m. Meet at the bathhouse to view space through a telescope and learn more about our universe. Future date: August 11.

Summer Concert in the Fort: 4EverAll. July 28, 6:30-8 p.m., at Fort Macon. Bring a folding chair and enjoy an hour-long concert.

Introduction to Wooden Boatbuilding. July 29-30, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., at the Harvey W. Smith Watercraft Center, 315 Front Street in Beaufort. In this two-day, hands-on course, students learn techniques of boatbuilding, and by the end of the course will have the knowledge and skill to build on their own. Call 728-7317 for required advance registration. Minimum age: 16. Future events: August 19-20, September 16-17, October 14-15, November 18-19, December 9-10.

Summer Concert in the Fort: Salt Water Gold. August 4, 6:30-8 p.m., at Fort Macon. Bring a folding chair and enjoy an hour-long concert.

Fort Macon Beach Scavenger Hunt. August 18, 10:30 a.m. Meet a park ranger at the Fort Macon bathhouse and explore the beach looking for odd and interesting items.

Piggin' & Grinnin' Celebrating BBQ & Bluegrass. September 2 on the Tryon Palace South Lawn. The festival will feature bluegrass and folk bands, including Steep Canyon Rangers, Sierra Hull, Chatham County Line, Mountain Faith, Balsam Range, Blind Boy Paxson and local New Bern bands Merchant's Road and Strung Together. Craft vendors and a food truck rodeo with plenty of BBQ will be available. For information on general admission or VIP tickets, call 639-3524 or visit tryonpalace.org.