## **Sponsored/Supported Projects & Volunteer Opportunities**

## The Fripp Audubon Club is powered by membership, volunteers & participation. Contact the people below about your interest or your questions.

**Dixie Winter Audubon Trail** is a short, well-maintained trail off Porpoise Drive, winding through maritime forest and along salt marsh leading to a view of Fripp Inlet. To assist w/trail maintenance contact Patrick Cotter at <a href="maintenance"><u>patrick.r.cotter@gmail.com</u></a>

**Bluebird Houses on Fripp** – Monitoring and maintaining 20 Bluebird Boxes erected by the Nature Center & Audubon Club. To assist contact Kevin Rice at <a href="mailto:kevinrice@me.com">kevinrice@me.com</a>

Back Yard Bird Count – February 17, 2023 – To participate go to: <a href="www.birdcount.org/participate">www.birdcount.org/participate</a>

Christmas Bird Count – December 15, 2022 - When volunteers identify, count & record birds on Fripp, Harbor, Horse & Saint Helena Island(s) as well as everywhere else in America! Individual backyard bird counts are also included. To participate, contact Sally Jessee at <a href="mailto:skjessee365@gmail.com">skjessee365@gmail.com</a>

Climate Watch Bluebird Count – In January & June 2023, volunteers make 12 five-minute bird observations in a pre-assigned area and submit data electronically. To participate, contact Kevin Rice at <a href="mailto:kevinrice@me.com">kevinrice@me.com</a>

**Fripp Island Activity Center** – Nature programs, native pollinator garden, collect data for naturalist research projects, wildlife in residence at 8 Veranda Beach Road. To learn more or help, please contact the Head Naturalist, Kathryn Schulz at <a href="mailto:kschultz@frippislandresort.com">kschultz@frippislandresort.com</a>

**Fripp Island Loggerhead Turtle Patrol** - Operating under a permit from the SC Dept. of Natural Resources (SCDNR) our 20+ volunteers patrol the beach each morning looking for signs of sea turtle activity. Patrol members have been trained and have been issued letters of authorization allowing them to address sea turtle nests, eggs and hatchlings. If interested in volunteering, please contact Permit Holder Karen Natoli at <a href="mailto:natweb@comcast.net">natweb@comcast.net</a>

**Green Space Conservation** – The Club owns 5 Fripp Green Spaces, which are conservation properties over 2 acres. If you are interested in making a charitable gift of property or an estate plan gift, please contact Jack Sims at <u>jacksims198@gmail.com</u>

**Harbor Island Environmental Stewardship Committee** – Sunday afternoon environmental educational programs, Shorebird Stewardship Program April-August 2023. For information, please contact Peggy Lucas at <a href="https://oceanmarsh9@gmail.com">oceanmarsh9@gmail.com</a>

**National Wildlife Federation Certified Wildlife Habitat** – For information on how your yard can become a certified habitat, please visit <a href="https://www.nwf.org/certifiedwildlifehabitat">https://www.nwf.org/certifiedwildlifehabitat</a>

**Osprey Watch** – A global community of observers reporting breeding Osprey by submitting data to The Osprey Watch. To volunteer, please contact Linda Sigafoos at <a href="mailto:lcaseys@embarqmail.com">lcaseys@embarqmail.com</a>

**Wildlife Tracking System (MOTUS)** – An international research network that electronically tracks migratory birds and other wildlife. Stations are located on Fripp Island & Harbor Island. Obtain data from these towers by visiting MOTUS.org and finding the antenna locations on the map. To volunteer to help track birds, please contact Kevin Rice at kevinrice@me.com