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## Loxahatchee Chapter, Florida Trail Association

May/June 2023

### **CHAPTER MEETINGS**

First Monday of every month  
Social 7:00 p.m.; Program 7:30 p.m.

**May 1** – TBA

**June 5** – TBA

### **OKEEHEELEE NATURE CENTER**

Located in Okeehielee Park on Forest Hill Blvd. east of the turnpike. Follow the signs to the Nature Center.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME**

### **Chapter Officers**

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### **Lox Outreach Efforts**



Hello Loxahatchee Chapter Members and Guests. Paul is finally receiving some help with our outreach and tabling efforts! Others have found out how much fun it is talking to people and spreading the news about FTA and our special chapter. In the last 4 months the chapter really stepped up its game. For the first time Janet had a Lox Chapter table at the South Florida Fair for seven days! We had tables at MacArthur Park for Naturescape and Winding

Waters for the Natural Areas Festival. Rick Z. has conducted classes on Backpacking and on hiking Camino de Santiago with REI Palm Beach Gardens events program. We've had tables at JDSP Springfest, REI and Okeehielee Park Earth Day. Members volunteered to assist with the planting of 80 trees at the Everglades Youth Conservation Camp. We've been busy!!! So why don't you get involved too!

Don't forget about the Okeehielee Critters. As part of our giving back to the Nature Center for allowing us to have our meetings there. We like to help them out by bringing some critter food on meeting nights.



Spoilage is a concern so keep that in mind. A couple of pieces from many of us is a lot. We try to publish current needs on our Meetup site but here are some standards: Greens: no iceberg; Romaine, Kale, Swiss Chard. Vegies: Carrots (whole not cut), Squash, Bell or Sweet peppers, sweet potatoes. Fruits: Bananas, Berries, Grapes, non-citrus.

Thanks to Chapter Leadership, Activity Leaders, Work Party Volunteers and Members and Public for making Loxahatchee Chapter the best!!!

**CHAPTER ACTIVITIES FOR MAY & JUNE**

Date	Event	Location	Diff	Time	Leader or Contact	Notes
5/1	Chapter Meeting	Okeehetee Park Nature Center	Leisure	7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Janet Miller 561-385-8676	Social and refreshments at 7; program and chapter business follow at 7:30.
5/6	Hike	Cypress Crk NA 10035 W Indiantown	Moderate	7:00 a.m.	Jorge Hernandez 561-346-5129	9 mile loop hike with option to cut it to 6 miles with Gloria.
5/6	Walk	John Prince Park Congress Entrance	Leisure	7:20 a.m.	Paul Cummings 561-596-4423	Keep up with Paul and walk 3 miles in an hour, or go at your own pace for a leisure walk.
5/7	Walk	Wakodahatchee and Green Cay	Leisure	6:30 a.m.	Paul Cummings 561-596-4423	2 for 1 Bring binoculars to really enjoy the birds!
5/7	Hike	Jonathan Dickinson Hobe Sound	Strenuous	8:00 a.m.	Mary Miller 561-213-2189	Our most popular hike! Bring plenty to drink. Entry fee \$4 single or \$6 w/ passengers.
5/13	Trail Maint.	Corbett	Leisure	6:00 a.m.	Paul Cummings 561-596-4423	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday Clip & Walk. Starting early to beat heat. Should be going through the "hole in the wall"!
5/13	Hike	Arbuckle Tract, Lake Wales Ridge Forest	Moderate	8:00 a.m.	Jorge Hernandez 561-346-5129	14 mile loop with option to cut to 7 miles with Gloria.
5/14	Mother's day walk	Jonathan Dickinson State Park	Leisure	9:00 a.m.	Paul Cummings 561-596-4423	Join this annual tradition of Paul's. Meet at front gate.
5/20	Hike	OTLHT Cypress Crk	Moderate	7:00 a.m.	Jorge Hernandez 561-346-5129	Meet at Riverbend. 10 miler to Rood lake and back. Option to cut it to 6 with Gloria.
5/20	Walk	Okeehetee Pk South	Leisure	7:20 a.m.	Paul Cummings 561-596-4423	Walk of 3 to 4 miles in this hidden gem of a park.
5/21	Walk	Wellington Env. Preserve	Leisure	7:20 a.m.	Paul Cummings 561-596-4423	Marjory Stoneman Douglas Everglades Habitat, a 365 acre rainwater storage area with trails.
5/27	Hike	Dupuis	Moderate	7:00 a.m.	Jorge Hernandez 561-346-5129	11 mile loop with option to cut it to 6 miles with Gloria. Meet at Governor's house.
5/27	Walk	Yamato Scrub NA Boca Raton	Leisure	7:20 a.m.	Paul Cummings 561-596-4423	Stroll a sandy ridge along an ancient shoreline.
5/28	Walk	Jupiter Ridge NA Jupiter	Leisure	7:20 a.m.	Alan Collins 954-681-2100	Stroll through dunes to a small ICW hidden beach and back.
6/3	Walk	John Prince Park Congress Entrance	Leisure	7:20 a.m.	Paul Cummings 561-596-4423	Keep up with Paul and walk 3 miles in an hour, or go at your own pace for a leisure walk.
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6/11	Walk	Peaceful Waters Sanctuary Wellington	Leisure	7:20 a.m.	Paul Cummings 561-596-4423	30-acre man-made wetlands includes a 1500' elevated boardwalk
6/17	Walk	Riverbend Park Jupiter	Leisure	7:20 a.m.	Paul Cummings 561-596-4423	Meet at the main parking lot visitor center for this 3 to 4 mile shaded walk.
6/18	Walk	Okeehetee Pk South	Leisure	7:20 a.m.	Paul Cummings 561-596-4423	Walk 3 to 4 miles in this hidden gem of a park.
6/24	Walk	Pondhawk NA Boca Raton	Leisure	7:20 a.m.	Paul Cummings 561-596-4423	Meet in the library west end parking lot and stroll about 3 miles in this beautiful urban natural area.
6/25	Walk	SWA Greenway Trails WPB	Leisure	7:20 a.m.	Alan Collins 954-681-2100	Meet in the "trail parking" area of the Solid Waste Authority Admin Bldg. parking lot.

It is very likely that additional activities will be added after publication of this document. Please check our meetup site: Florida Trail Association-Loxahatchee Chapter-PBC