



# SOUTH SLOUGH CALENDAR

## MAY 2025



**MAY 3, 2025**

**BIRDING AT MILLICOMA MARSH 10 AM TO NOON**

Come enjoy great views of the bay and one of the best birding spots in Coos County. Interpreter, binoculars, and spotting scopes provided. Dress for the weather. Meet in the parking lot directly behind Millicoma Middle School on 4th Ave. [Max - 15 participants] FREE

**MAY 10, 2025**

**BIRDS ON THE ESTUARY 10 AM TO 11:30 AM**

Explore the shores of Charleston in search of winged wildlife. Interpreter, binoculars, and spotting scopes provided. Meet at the Charleston Visitors Center. [Max - 15 participants] FREE

**MAY 17, 2025**

**CLAMMING WORKSHOP 9 AM TO 11:30 AM**

The South Slough Reserve is teaming up with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) for an educational, family-friendly clamming workshop. Knowledgeable instructors will identify a variety of edible species, proper digging techniques, and how to prepare and cook clams. **Pre-registration is required and everyone age 12 and older will need to purchase an Oregon shellfish license in advance of the class.** Old clothes and boots are a must! Meet in the parking lot by the ODFW office in Charleston towards the end of Boat Basin Road. [Max. - 25] FREE

**MAY 24, 2025**

**11 AM TO 12:30 PM**

**INTRODUCTION TO CRUSTACEANS**

Come learn about the amazing life cycle of Dungeness crabs, their importance to the local economy and the various techniques for capturing this delectable Crustacean. Dress for the weather and meet at the Charleston Visitors Center. [Max-12] (FREE)

**MAY 31, 2025**

**BIRDING AT COQUILLE POINT 9 AM TO 11 AM**

Enjoy a delightful walk on the beach among towering sea stacks with developing colonies of boisterous seabirds at the beginning of their nesting season. We may also see Harbor Seals basking on the lowering reaches. National Wildlife Refuge educator and volunteer, Carol Maude, will lead this program. Bring your binoculars or borrow a pair from us. **Please note:** Some folks might find the stairs

**BIRDING AT COQUILLE POINT (CONTINUED)**

(130 steps round trip) down and back up from the beach beyond their capabilities. Please take this into consideration before registering. Meet at the parking lot at the end of 11th Street SW in Bandon. [Max - 20] FREE

**MAY 31, 2025**

**AFTERNOON PADDLE TRIP**

**12:30 PM TO 5:30 PM**

Come enjoy warm breezes and plentiful shorebirds while you learn about the rich cultural and natural history of the South Slough Reserve. Bring your own kayak or rent one from us! Feet and legs may get wet and muddy at launch points. Driver and shuttle will be provided. Meet at the Distant Water Fleet parking lot in Charleston next to Qualman's Oysters. [Max - 18] (\$15/boat or \$35 with kayak rental.)



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Programs may be cancelled due to low enrollment or hazardous weather. Activity fees and donations cover material costs and support school field trips to the Reserve.

**For more information or to register, please visit [southsloughestuary.org](https://southsloughestuary.org)**

**Questions or concerns?**

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## JUNE 2025



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**JUNE 7, 2025**

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**JUNE 14, 2025**

#### **CLAMMING WORKSHOP 8:30 AM TO 11 AM**

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**June 18, 2025**

**11 AM TO 1 PM**

#### **GUIDED TIDEPOOL WALK**

Join us for a tidepool walk in the newly designated Marine Garden at Coquille Point in Bandon. We will be exploring this dynamic marine ecosystem in the rocky intertidal zone. Towering sea stacks with colonies of boisterous seabirds are an added feature of this program. Bring your binoculars! Please note: Some folks might find the stairs down to and back up from the beach (130 steps round trip) beyond their capabilities, so please take this into consideration before registering. Meet at the parking lot at the end of 11th St. SW in Bandon. [Max. - 20] FREE

**June 28, 2025**

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