



## 2018-2019 NORTH FLORIDA COUNCIL CUB HIKING CLUB



Lace up your hiking shoes, grab your hiking stick, and come out and join the North Florida Council CUB HIKING CLUB. Nobody gets left at home, these events are open to all Cub Scouts, siblings, and parents. Hikes will vary in length and duration, and most hikes will be free of charge. Hiking Club patches will be available for \$3. Looking forward to hiking with all Cub Scouts and families. Check out the NEW 2018-2019 schedule.

### All hikes start at 9am.

**October 6: Guana Tolomato Matanzas National Estuarine Research Reserve:** 505 Guana River Road, Ponte Vedra Beach, just off A1A. We will hike through shady woods and open areas. Visit wonderful displays of marine life and see nature up close. We are scheduled to have tour guides take us on the hike! This will be a great experience for all participants!

**November 3: Theodore Roosevelt Area,** 13165 Mt. Pleasant Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32225. This is a fantastic place to hike right in our backyard. You will see firsthand how one man made a huge difference in the lives of many.

**December 1: Jacksonville Riverwalk Christmas Tree Hike.** Come and get into the Holiday Spirit. Meet just outside of the Riverside Arts Market, and hike along the north bank of the St. John's River while looking for dolphins, see our beautiful Christmas tree, river and skyline.

**January 12, 2019: Goldhead State Park,** 6239 State Rd 21, Keystone Heights, FL. Hike into ravines, hike up switchbacks, and enjoy longleaf pine habitat with gopher tortoises, pileated woodpeckers, and pocket gophers. Entrance fee of \$5, carpool and save \$\$\$.

**February 2: Pumpkin Hill Preserve State Park;** 13802 Pumpkin Hill Rd. Jacksonville. We will hike through or see sandhills and scrubby flatwoods, see eagle nests.

**March 9: Historic Kingsley Plantation,** Heckscher Dr to Fort George Rd. Step back in time, hike the historic grounds, view the beautiful river, walk through beautiful Oak hammocks and see spectacular wildlife.

**\*\*March 23: Julington-Durbin Creek Nature Preserve:** 13200 Bartram Park Blvd. There will be plenty of wildlife to view as we hike through pine woods, scrub oak through flat woods. There are plenty of trails to hike that go far in the forest.

**\*\*May 11: Camp Milton Preserve** located on Halsema Road, Jacksonville. See the historic cabin, visit the garden, climb into a civil war fortification, and hike the boardwalk. Lots of interesting history.

Most hikes will be between one to three miles long. Some locations may charge a nominal fee, I'll make every effort to notify participants ahead of time. Hiking sticks will be available for nominal fee. **Participants are required to wear close toed shoes, and bring the following items; light snack, water, sun screen, and bug spray.** A parent must accompany their Cub Scout and siblings. **For more information contact Frank Ross at 904-805-2040 or [f\\_ross@bellsouth.net](mailto:f_ross@bellsouth.net)**

