

## TATC Activity List for January 11<sup>th</sup> General Meeting

- This listing is current as of the date of the meeting, see the Google calendar and/or the TATC web site for up-to-date information as new items get added, and occasionally published schedules get modified.

### See also the TATC Google Calendar for information

- It is viewable at the bottom of the TATC Home Page or can be added to your Google calendar on your computer or phone using the following link –

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0?cid=Y2hqMjdudGM1Y201cWwyamZzMWVvZDhwc2tAZ3JvdXAuY2FsZW5kYXluZ29vZ2xlLmNvbQ>

**Tuesday Group** - More information on the TATC Tuesday group can be found at - [TATC Tuesday Group\(google.com\)](#). Many of their events are planned only a week or two prior to the event date, and thus do not get listed in this General Meeting snapshot of events. Also, they do not get copied onto the main TATC Google calendar until details have matured, but some advance info is available on the Tuesday Group website prior to being included on the main TATC calendar. They have an event almost every Tuesday morning.

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### TATC General Meeting (Norfolk)

When: January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Time: 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Location – Episcopal Church of the Advent, 9629 Norfolk Ave, Norfolk, VA 23503

### Tree Planting – Lynnhaven River Now

TATC – Tree Planting Volunteers Lynnhaven River Now (LRNow) is looking for volunteers to help get 350 trees in the ground in January. If we can show up as we have in the past, we can count these trees toward our goal of 500 trees.

The planting days are:

Friday, January 13th, from 9 AM to 12 PM

Saturday, January 14th, from 9 AM to 12 PM

Saturday, January 21st, from 9 AM to 12 PM

There is no commitment to volunteer all three days.

The location to meet up is the Green Run Community Pool complex at the end of Windmill Point Crescent, off Lynnhaven Parkway. They will organize the volunteers into teams and provide a LRNow team leader for each team who will guide the team members to a planting location in the Green Run subdivision.

If you have a pickup without a bed cap, that would be helpful in transporting the trees to each planting site which may be up to a mile away. Bring shovels, garden rakes, and hoes to fill the pre-augured holes. Some holes may still have to be hand-dug.

Dress for the weather conditions and wear work gloves and shoes. Also, bring water in case LR Now runs low on water for the volunteers.

If you have questions or would like to volunteer, contact Dave Plum at [localtrails@tidewateratc.com](mailto:localtrails@tidewateratc.com).

## **TATC Pub Night (aka Happy Hiker Hour) – Oozlefinch Beers & Blending**

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, January 17th, 2023, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

**Address:** Oozlefinch Beers & Blending, 81 Patch Rd., Fort Monroe, VA 23651

**Website:** <https://oozlefinchbeers.com/>

Description: Join TATC Members on Tuesday, January 17th, 2023, at 6:00 pm; TATC will hold a pub night get-together at the 'Oozlefinch Beers & Blending located at 81 Patch Rd., Fort Monroe, VA 23651.

No sign-up is necessary; just show up. A Food Truck should be available; if not, other food options are nearby. Parking is plentiful. Enjoy a pint in the great outdoors while taking in the beautiful atmosphere of Fort Monroe. Sit inside, or if the weather is nice, we can sit on the patio or on the large field area with a waterfront view.

POC - Jim Sexton ([jtsexton@gmail.com](mailto:jtsexton@gmail.com))

## **Tuesday Group – Winter Farm Walk About**

***See note at top of document about Tuesday Group information***

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 17, 2023; 9:15am for a 9:45am departure

Where: Big Belly Hunt Club, 6061 Freemans Rd, Wakefield, VA 23888

Follow Freeman's Road to the very end, and the Big Belly Hunt Club will be the small white cottage to the left after you pass the mailbox and the large "No Trespassing, Private Property" sign. Of course, ignore the sign!!

Description: This 5+/- mile farm hike again will combine the old with the new. An old stomping ground for Tuesday Group regulars, yet new to anyone joining us for the first time.

Our hike's meeting location, time and the hunt club are familiar for Tuesday Group regulars as will be some but not all of Tuesday's dirt trails. The trails are flat and easy for walking, be they through woods, around winter crops, or beside ponds. Experience has taught me not to suggest the possibility or promise we'll see any wildlife during the hike. Those critters are just too smart to show themselves, and, to my knowledge, have never been sighted on any of our farm walk-about's. If it's not because of our group's size, or the noise we make, then on this hike it could be because hunting season just ended, and they remain alert and frightened enough to not make themselves a target. I cheer them on for that decision, just as I imagine some regular farm walk-about'ers will cheer hearing that after the hike our old-style ice cream social is back on the day's schedule.

Dress appropriately for the day's weather forecast, wear comfortable shoes, and bring lunch, water, something to sit on during lunch, preferably a lawn chair, and perhaps binoculars, cameras, etc. Lawn chairs are mentioned because, over the years, it has become evident that the preferred place for lunch (and ice cream) is back at the Big Belly Hunt Club following our hike. We will take a short break during the hike where a seating pad might be more comfortable for having a snack than the ground.

This is a dog friendly hike but please do not bring any firearms.

Please bring a mask and hand sanitizer if they make you more comfortable, particularly if weather doesn't permit us to lunch outside. Fingers crossed that doesn't happen, but it is better to be prepared.

For questions or additional information contact Sandra Canepa, [canepasa@cox.net](mailto:canepasa@cox.net); home 757-851-2959; cell 757-478-7374. Also, if you are new Tuesday Group participant, please provide an email address when you sign up. This permits you to be added to the Tuesday Group's mailing list. That way only those signed up for the activity will be contacted if the event has to be cancelled for any reason,

Anyone wishing breakfast before the hike, suggest meeting at 8:20am: Dairy Queen, 61 W. Windsor Blvd, Windsor, VA 23487 The DQ is approximately 15 minutes from the farm.

I also understand Stucky's Gas and Truck Stop on Rt 460 (35242 General Mahone Blvd, Ivor, VA) and located closer to the farm has great coffee and good breakfast offerings.

To sign up click on the link:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UIFOZvuVn-R1IHTRtgRH4Czni5e8pqqC\\_a9QCVVAN4c/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UIFOZvuVn-R1IHTRtgRH4Czni5e8pqqC_a9QCVVAN4c/edit?usp=sharing)

More information on the TATC Tuesday group can be found at - [TATC Tuesday Group\(google.com\)](#)

### **Virginia Beach Winter Wildlife Festival Outreach**

**What:** Volunteer to help staff a TATC outreach table at the central exhibit hall for this event.

**When:** January 28 from 10:00 to 3:00.

**Where:** Princess Anne Recreation Center, 1400 Nimmo Pkwy, Virginia Beach, VA 23456. ([Map link](#))

Volunteers Needed for a TATC Table at the Virginia Beach Winter Wildlife Festival.

Meet nice people interested in the outdoors. Check out owls, snakes, and ospreys in the middle of January IN THE WARMTH of the Princess Anne Recreation Center. Help people understand what TATC does and at the same time, solicit views on how we can appeal to nature lovers. The commitment is only 2 or 3 hours (10:00 to 1:00 or 1:00 to 3:00). Click the [link](#) for a list of festival activities that may interest you personally.

If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Lee Lohman at [president@tidewateratc.com](mailto:president@tidewateratc.com)

### **TATC Tree Planting - Pleasure House Point**

**Date/Time** – February 4th, 9 am to noon

**Where** – Pleasure House Point

A tree planting is scheduled for FEBRUARY 4th, 2023, at Pleasure House Point on Marlin Bay Drive in Virginia Beach.

We will be planting 25 trees for the City of Virginia Beach. This effort will require us to get the trees from the street drop-off area to their planting location using wheel borrows. In addition, we will have to dig the planting holes in the sandy soil as there is no way to get an auger machine to the planting sites.

Lance Deaver and Dave Plum will be picking up the trees at the nursery that morning and delivering them to the site. Jim Newman will coordinate the onsite sign-up and oversee the hole preparation that will begin prior to the arrival of the trees.

Plan to bring your personal shovels and garden rakes to complete the planting. If you have a wheelbarrow, please bring that if you can. The city staff may also provide shovels and wheelbarrows.

We will meet up at Pleasure House Point (3957 Marlin Bay Drive, Virginia Beach) at 9:00 AM to get organized. The city staff will mark where each species of tree is to be planted.

Please contact Dave Plum at: [localtrails@tidewateratc.com](mailto:localtrails@tidewateratc.com) to sign up to let him know if you can bring a wheelbarrow.

Please dress appropriately for the weather and bring work gloves. Water and snacks will be provided.

## **TATC General Meeting (Norfolk)**

When: February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Time: 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Location – Episcopal Church of the Advent, 9629 Norfolk Ave, Norfolk, VA 23503

## **First Landing State Park Trail Maintenance**

When: February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Time: 9:00 am to noon

Location – First Landing State Park

The meeting location is the parking lot by the picnic area. At least 3 volunteers are needed.

Contact: Bob Mooney at [mbm9@gmail.com](mailto:mbm9@gmail.com) or [localtrails@tidewateratc](mailto:localtrails@tidewateratc) to sign up.

## **The Chocolate Hike**

**What:** The Chocolate Hike 2023

**When:** Sunday, February 12, 2023, 9:30am-2:00pm

**Where:** Mariners Museum Park, 100 Museum Drive, Newport News 23606

**POC:** Phyllis Neumann [phyllisneumann@hughes.net](mailto:phyllisneumann@hughes.net)

The Chocolate hike has returned! Join your fellow hikers and chocolate lovers for this Pre-Valentine's Day hikette on the Noland Trail. This revered annual event challenges participants to explore their wildest chocolate fantasies by creating culinary masterpieces for fellow TATCers to sample.

We're changing things up a bit for 2023. This year, EVERYONE will be a judge. Yes, you get to vote for your favorite treats. Entries with the most votes win. Prizes will be awarded.

Here's how it works: Meet at the Mariners Museum (100 Museum Drive, Newport News, VA, <http://www.marinersmuseum.org>) at 9:30 AM. We meet in the parking lot by the museum entrance across from the start of the Noland Trail. Bring a chocolate confection (that you have created) for your fellow hikers to sample. After a brief "safety" talk, we'll hike the Noland trail (~ 5 miles) taking multiple breaks along the way to continue sampling the entries. At the conclusion of the hike, votes will be tallied and prizes will be awarded for the tastiest and most unique creations. And then we'll eat lunch afterwards! **I'M ASKING FOR ANYONE WITH A TRUCK, HATCHBACK OR FOLDING TABLE TO HELP PROVIDE SPACE FOR ENTRIES!**

## **TATC Pub Night (aka Happy Hiker Hour) – The Public House**

**Date/Time:** February 16<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 8:30

**Address:** Public House at 1112 Colley Avenue, Norfolk, VA 23517

**Website:** <https://www.publichouseeats.com/>

The TATC Pub Night (AKA Happy Hiker Hour) will be on February 16 from 7:00 to 8:30. We'll be at The Public House at 1112 Colley Avenue, Norfolk, VA 23517. They have a good selection of beverages and serve food (indoors) just like an English pub. The burgers are good and the Shepard's Pie is very close to the English version. They have dedicated parking for about 20 cars. Street parking is available.

Here's the link to their website and menu: <https://www.publichouseeats.com/>

POC – Lee Lohman ([lohmantatc@gmail.com](mailto:lohmantatc@gmail.com))

## **TATC General Meeting (Norfolk)**

When: March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Time: 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Location – Episcopal Church of the Advent, 9629 Norfolk Ave, Norfolk, VA 23503

## **Other Future Activities (see linked calendar for details) –**

- First Landing State Park Maintenance – March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- TATC Pub Night (aka Happy Hiker Hour), Coastal Fermentory, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- TATC General Membership Meeting – April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Spring Walk Through – April 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- First Landing State Park Maintenance – May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Spring Maintenance – May 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023
- Lopperfest #1 – June 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Lopperfest #2 – July 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- ATVISTA – August 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Johnson City, TN
- Lopperfest #3 – August 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Fall Walk Through – September 29<sup>th</sup> – October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023
- Fall Maintenance – October 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023