SaddleBrooke Nature Club
Schedule of Lectures and Activities
2026/2027

Meetings are typically held the second Monday of the month. Check each meeting for specific time and location.

- Website: SaddleBrookeNatureClub.org

MONTHLY LECTURES

- ***Monday, DECEMBER 14 @ 3:30pm***
  - **CANDID CRITTERS of the Catalina's**



- Did you know? Santa Catalina Mtns are home to:
  - A Marsupial
  - 3 members of the Raccoon family
  - 4 of the 5 species of Skunks in North America
  - 2 of the top tier Predators in North America
- Join Naturalist and camera trap videographer David Dean for an up close and personal (and often humorous) look into the lives of the fascinating animals who call these mountains home.
- His presentation consists of a series of short (one minute or less) videos captured by motion-activated cameras in the Santa Catalina Mountains on public land managed by the US Forest Service.

- Watch here as a female black bear waits patiently for her 'boyfriend' to catch up to her. Black Bears in the Catalinas
- Location: DesertView Theatre
- Speaker: David Dean,
  - Naturalist and Camera Trap Videographer
  - Active member of the Sabino Canyon Volunteer Naturalists

- ***Monday, JANUARY 11 @ 3:30pm***
    - **SONORAN DESERT BIRDS OF PREY**



- Jeff Babson's presentation will explore the natural history of 3 of the Sonoran Desert's most common birds of prey.
    - Red-Tailed Hawk
    - Harris's Hawk
    - Great Horned Owl
- We will examine their identification, their vocalizations and how they live their lives.

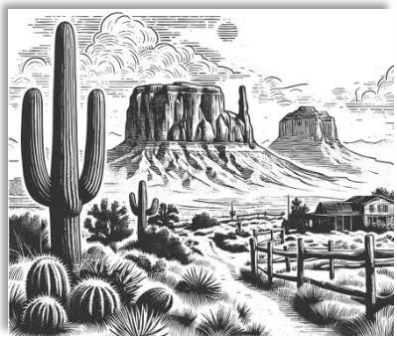
- Location: Tentatively DesertView Theatre
- Speaker: Jeff Babson,
    - Wildlife Watching Programs Coordinator
    - Pima County Department of Conservation Lands and Resources

Additional 2027 PROGRAMS

More details to come:

- ***Feb 9 – Hummingbirds, Hummingbird Rescue Group***
- ***Mar 8 – Desert Tortoises, AZ Fish and Game***
- ***Apr 12 – Reptiles, Pima County Conservation Lands & Resources***





- ***May 10 – Ranching History***

FIELD TRIPS & PICNICS

Spring Field Trip

– Watch for news on our spring field trip

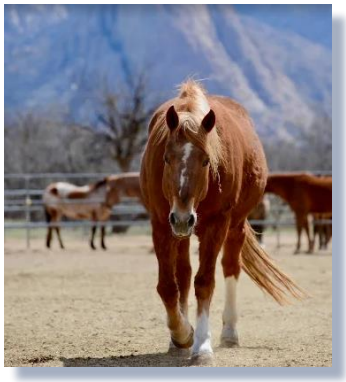
Potential Trips based on time of year and availability:

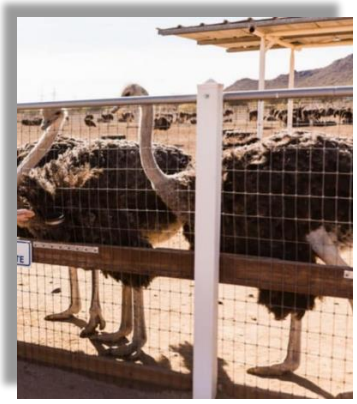
- ***Vulture City, Wickenburg Ghost Town & Mine***

- ***Ironwood Pig Sanctuary***



- ***Equine Voices & Sanctuary***





- ***Rooster Cogburn Ostrich Ranch***

- ***Sandhill Crane Viewing – Willcox or McNeal***

