

# November 2016

**Catalina State Park**  
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
October 30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guided Hike &gt;See back for details.</li> </ul>	31 *Our Knights in Spiny Armor, 8:30 AM trailhead.	1	2 *Bird Walk	3	4 *Bird Walk	5 *Nature Program *Buffel Slayer *First Saturday Concert: Jaye Parks and the Show Cats
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**ALL PROGRAMS AND EVENT SUBJECT TO ENTRANCE FEES OF \$7 PER VEHICLE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

\*\*For all hikes/walks, please bring an adequate water supply, a snack, sunscreen, and wear appropriate clothing, shoes, and hat for the weather conditions.

**First Saturday Concerts:** The first Saturday of every month, enjoy the music in the park with the Santa Catalina Mountains as the backdrop. All shows are at the Trailhead Stage. Concert times vary.

Feel free to bring a chair and favorite foods. Free popcorn is provided by the Friends of Catalina State Park.

**November 5: Jaye Parks and the Show Cats, 4 PM – acoustic folk and rock; nostalgic/contemporary/original**

**Catalina State Park Nature Program: Saturdays. 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Trailhead.**

Learn about and see many reptiles that live naturally in the Sonoran Desert. Listen to our experts talk about the creatures and their adaptations to survive in the desert. This is a live reptile exhibit and much more!

Fun for all ages! Program is weather permitting.

**Buffel Slayers: Saturday, November 5. 7:30 AM. Meeting Location to be Announced.**

Eradicate buffel grass from Catalina State Park! Please wear sturdy shoes, long pants, and a sun hat. Bring water and a snack. We will provide digging tools and gloves.

**Guided Hike: Sundays. Times Vary. Hike Meeting Locations Vary.**

Explore the trails of Catalina State Park with experienced hiking guide, Gaston.

Consult the website to learn of hiking routes. Please register by 4 PM Saturday prior to the hike at [VHC.Gaston@gmail.com](mailto:VHC.Gaston@gmail.com). For safety reasons, four hikers are required for a hike to occur.

As hikes depart promptly, please arrive 5 minutes early. If rain threatens, the guide will phone the registered hiker ASAP or about one hour before the scheduled hike time, whichever comes first. Please inform the guide of any medical condition, medication, or allergy to Aspirin.

**Geology Walk: Sundays, November 13 and November 27. 9:00 AM. Picnic Area Ramada.**

How were the Santa Catalina Mountains formed? What are some of the different rocks in the park? Learn about the geology of Catalina State Park with experienced geologist, Karen. The walk takes several hours.

**Sunday Guided Bird Walk: Every Sunday in November. 8:00 AM. Picnic Area Ramada.**

Experienced bird guide, Max, leads this bird walk. He will help you spot and identify various birds that live and visit the park. Novices, seasoned birders, and every experience level of birder enjoy this event. Please bring binoculars, and a bird guide (if you have). This walk lasts several hours.

**Bighorn Basics: Sunday, November 20. 4:00 PM. Trailhead.**

As the Bighorn Sheep have been reintroduced into the Santa Catalina Mountains, learn about these animals through a family friendly, interactive talk given by Richard, retired Park Ranger at Rocky Mountain National Park.

**Adventures with the Moon: Monday, November 14. 7:30 PM. Romero Ruins Ramada.**

The Moon, Earth's only natural satellite, with its mystery and intrigue, continues to provide interest to earth's humans. Join Catalina State Park volunteer, Richard, as he takes you to the moon and back through interactive activities and displays.

**Our Knights in Spiny Armor: Every Monday in November. 8:30 AM. Trailhead.**

This short hike with leader, Monty, is about the majestic cactus, the saguaro, which grows only in the Sonoran Desert. Whether you are new to the desert or simply love saguaros, this event is for you!

**Wednesday Guided Bird Walk: Every Wednesday in November. 7:30 AM. Last Parking Lot by the Main Trailhead.**

Both novice and seasoned birders enjoy the variety of birds that visit and live in the foothills of the Santa Catalina Mountains. Our experienced bird guide, Mary Ellen, will help you spot and identify various birds as you walk through the park. Please bring binoculars, and a bird guide (if you have). This walk lasts several hours.

**Friday Guided Bird Walk: Every Friday in November. 8:00 AM. Trailhead.**

Join experienced bird guide, Jim, on a bird walk through the park. He will help you spot and identify the various birds that visit and live in the Santa Catalina Mountains. This is an event for novices, seasoned birders and for every experience level of birder. Please bring binoculars, and a bird guide (if you have). This walk lasts several hours.

**Romero Ruins Adventure Walk: By appointment**

Park Ranger, Jack, leads a tour of the Romero Ruins Trail, where the whole family can learn about the history and mystery surrounding the Hohokam's largest ruin site in the park.

To schedule a tour, please call Jack at **520-628-5798**.

