



July 25-29, 2012 Wrangell, Alaska Schedule of Events

DAILY July 25 – July 29

Charter Trips to Anan Wildlife Observatory

Charter operators offer daily trips to Anan Wildlife Observatory to view the bears. This world renowned facility is located south of Wrangell Island, about a one hour jetboat ride away or only 25 minutes by floatplane. Please check with local operators for departure times and costs and daily pass requirements.

Advanced reservations required.

Bearfest Photo Contest Exhibit - FREE

Entries in the Third Annual Bearfest Photo Contest will be displayed in local businesses. All entries must be turned in by July 20. Details and rules for entering photos are on www.alaskabearfest.org. Photos will be judged and winners announced with winning photographs displayed at the Nolan Center on Thursday, July 26.

Raffle Tickets – Bearfest organizers, courtesy of sponsor Alaska Airlines, are raffling off two Round Trip System-wide Airline Tickets. There are a limited number of tickets available at \$5.00 each.

WEDNESDAY- JULY 25

9:00am Barely Bear Archaeology. USFS Archaeologist Jane Smith will present archaeological discoveries in the Wrangell area. Stikine Inn. Free.

10:00am - 3:00pm Movies. Movies with bear themes or bears in them will be running continuously in the Nolan Center small theater in the Visitor Center. A schedule will be posted in the Visitor Center. Free.

10:00am Photography Workshop: Portraits. Focus of the workshop will be how to take beautiful portraits using lighting and backdrops. Workshop will be led by photographer James Edens and will meet at the Nolan Center. Free.

2:00pm Bear Deterrent Devices. Join Robert E Johnson for a live demonstration using common bear deterrent devices. Outdoor Shooting Range (just past golf course). Free.

2:00pm Bear Obstacle Course for kids. Test your skills as a bear cub. Can you climb the log, go through the stump, follow your mom? Location to be announced.

2:00pm Intro to Digital Photography Workshop – Novice. Focus of the workshop will be framing pictures, depth of field, shutter speeds. Workshop will be led by photographer James Edens and will meet at the Stikine Inn. Free.

5:00pm Bears of the World A presentation by National Geographic photographer and bear expert Matthias Breiting. Held at the Nolan Center. Free.

6:00pm Bearfest Symposium: “Living with Bears – Reducing Conflicts.” This topic will be discussed by panelists with opportunities for questions by attendees and further conversation. Detailed agenda and panelist information available at www.alaskabearfest.org or at the Nolan Center. Held at the Nolan Center. Free.

THURSDAY- JULY 26

9:00am Bear Workshop: Bears of Southeast Alaska. A presentation by USFS Tongass Wildlife Biologist Brian Logan. Nolan Center. Free.

10:00am - 3:00pm Movies. Movies with bear themes or bears in them will be running continuously in the small theater in the Visitor Center at the Nolan Center. A schedule will be posted in the Visitor Center. Free.

10:00am Photography Workshop: Restoring Old Photos. Photographer Robert E Johnson will show tricks and tools to restoring favorite old photographs. Nolan Center. Free.

2:00pm Bear Bowling for Kids. Fun and games for all kids, test your aim and knock the bears down. Outer Drive lawn

2:00pm Bear Workshop: Living with Bears presented by panel experts. Nolan Center. Free.

3:00pm Photography Workshop. Photographer Robert E Johnson will discuss balancing light, speed and depth of field. Nolan Center. Free.

4:00pm Bears of Anan Wildlife Observatory. USFS Anan Site Supervisor Dee Galla will present a slide show and talk about the different bears visiting Anan each year. Nolan Center. Free.

5:00pm Bearfest Photography Contest Winners. Winning photos will be displayed at the Nolan Center and names of winners posted by 5:00pm.

5:00pm Bearfest Golf Tournament. 9-holes best ball tournament at Muskeg Meadows Golf Course. All ages and all skill levels. Sign up at 5:00pm at Muskeg Meadows. Tournament begins at 6:00pm Clubs are available for rent. \$25 entry fee. Prizes donated by Taylormade, food by Salumi meats.

6:00pm Bearfest Symposium: “Learning about Bears.” Topic of discussion by panelists with opportunities for questions by attendees and further conversation. Detailed agenda and panelist information is available at www.alaskabearfest.org or at the Nolan Center. Held at the Nolan Center. Free.

FRIDAY- JULY 27

9:00am Bear Workshop: Safety in Bear Country. What gun to use and how to sight it in will be presented by the Wrangell Police Chief Doug McCloskey at Outdoor Range Open to all ages. Free.

10:00am - 3:00pm Movies. Movies with bear themes or bears in them will be running continuously in the small theater in the Visitor Center at the Nolan Center. A schedule will be posted in the Visitor Center. Free.

10:00am Photography Workshop: Black and White techniques. Photographer Robert E Johnson will discuss taking great photos in black and white. Stikine Inn. Free.

10:30am Read with a Ranger and Smokey Bear.

The Wrangell Library will be hosting an hour of children’s bear story telling for kids of all ages. USFS Ranger and Smokey Bear will be there! Free.

11:00am Teddy Bear Checkup. Janet Strom, our local public health nurse will be at the Library to provide a check up for your special teddy bear. Free.

2:00pm Photography Workshop: Using Photo Editing Software. Photographer Robert E Johnson will show tips and tricks for editing digital photos, making good photos GREAT. Nolan Center. Free.

2:00pm Bear Swim for Kids. Fun pool contests for all ages held at the Parks and Recreation Indoor Swimming Pool. Free.

2:00pm – 7:00pm Arts and Crafts Fair. Featuring local and regional artists at the Nolan Center.

4:00pm Flycasting for Beginners. Local Fishing Guide Scott McAulliff will present a beginner’s class on techniques of flycasting. Meet at the lawn of City Hall on Campbell Drive. Free

5:00pm Bear Workshop:How to get the Most out of Bear Viewing Experiences presented by Tom Griffin, Site Manager at McNeil River State Game Sanctuary near Katmai National Park and Preserve.

7:00pm Tuck and Patti Music Concert. FREE CONCERT –This well known duo will provide a great evening of music and entertainment at the Nolan Center. (Donations accepted).

SATURDAY - JULY 28

9:00am Macro Photography Workshop. This is an in-field workshop at Volunteer Park. The workshop is limited to 10 people and costs \$40 per person. Sign up in advance at Alaska vistas near City Dock. Workshop will be led by Alaskan photographer Robert E Johnson.

9:30am Gun Safety - Meet at the Public Safety Building for the class to be led by Police Chief Doug McCloskey. Open to all ages. Free.

10:00am Bear Workshop: Managing Bear Viewing Sites Like Anan. USFS Site Supervisor Dee Galla will present the various issues and concerns of managing a popular bear viewing site. At Nolan Center. Free.

10:00am Make a Bear Mask Kids will love making creative bear masks with the US Forest Service. Workshop is presented by USFS Interpreter Corree Seward on the City Hall lawn. Free.

10:30am Good Camp/Bad Camp Workshop. A fun and informative workshop to demonstrate camping safety in bear country for children and adults. Workshop is presented by USFS Interpreter Corree Seward and ADF&G education specialist Tennie Bentz on the City Hall lawn. Free.

1:00pm -6:00pm Crafts and Arts Bazaar. Featuring local and regional artists at the Nolan Center.

2:00pm Street Games. Very clever children’s games, including the Cub-O-War; Bear Fur Races; Fish Toss; Bonzai Bear and more, will be held on the City Hall lawn. Free.

4:00pm-5:00pm Photography Workshop: “Hey that’s my picture in National Geographic.” National Geographic photographer Matthias Breiting will offer pointers to taking that National Geographic – in the yellow box shot. Nolan Center. Free.

5:30pm -7:00pm Pasta Feed for Marathon Runners All runners and volunteers are invited to a pasta dinner at City Park. Dinner Free for runners and volunteers. Pre registration for Marathon, 1/2 marathon, team Marathon and 5 K run/walk is free at Pasta Feed or **\$15.00** morning of the race.

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SUNDAY - JULY 29

7:00am- 7:45am MARATHON, 1/2 MARATHON, 5K WALK/RUN REGISTRATION for those that did not pre-register. **\$15.00** (Free at the Pasta Feed on Saturday).

8:00am MARATHON RACE START. Simultaneous start time for the Marathon, 1/2 Marathon, team Marathon and 5 K run/walk. The race will start and end at the Nolan Center.

1:00pm Running Of The Bears - 100 yard dash for kids of all ages. (Wear your BEAR MASK made on Saturday!) In front of the Nolan Center. Free.

1:30pm Iphone Photography Explore ways to take great photos, store and edit with your Iphone with photographer Robert E Johnson. Nolan Center - Free

3:00pm Photo Presentation: Photography of Robert E Johnson. Enjoy the unique perspective of renowned Alaskan photographer Robert E Johnson, specializing in undisturbed landscapes and the wildlife that inhabits it.

4:00pm Raffle Drawing Winner of the Bearfest Alaska Airlines Roundtrip Ticket raffle will be drawn and announced.



For questions and schedule updates, please go to www.alaskabearfest.org
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