

# Bear **Aware?** Know **Before** You Go!

## Bear Aware Events - 2013

From the Anchorage Bear Committee and Partner Groups

### **April**

Wednesday, April 10, 7 pm, Alaska Zoo

**Wildlife Wednesdays - A Bear's View: Investigating the Movements and Lives of Urban Bears.** ADF&G Research biologist Sean Farley discusses a new Anchorage bear study. Free.

Saturday, April 13, 1 pm, Alaska Mill, Feed & Garden Center

**Electric Fences in Bear Country Clinic.** Learn how electric fences deter bears and how to set up one at your home or camp. By ADF&G; free.

Sunday, April 21, 2 pm, Eagle River Nature Center

**Living and Recreating in Bear Country.** Learn about safety in bear country, plus a how-to on electric fences. By ADF&G; free program; \$5 parking for non-members.

Tuesday, April 24, 6-7:30 pm, REI

**Electric Fences in Bear Country Clinic.** Learn how electric fences work to deter bears and how to set up one at home or camp. By ADF&G; free.

Week of April 23, Girdwood

**Bear Aware Week in Girdwood.** Wild & Aware Girdwood is hosting its second annual community Bear Aware Week featuring artwork by local Girdwood students and a movie. Visit [wildaware.org](http://wildaware.org) to learn more.

### **May**

Saturday, May 4, 2 pm, Eagle River Nature Center

**Jr. Naturalist Program (K-6th Grade): Bear and Moose Safety for Kids.** An ERNC naturalist will teach families with children how to safely recreate in Alaska. Free program; \$5 parking for non-members.

Sunday, May 12, 12-4 pm, Alaska Zoo

**Bear Aware Day at the Alaska Zoo.** Fun and educational for all ages. Regular zoo admission; mothers get in free for Mother's Day!

More events .... continued on back!

### **How are we doing?**

We want to know what you know about bears and what you want to learn more about. Please visit [www.surveymonkey.com/s/abcbeares](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/abcbeares) and take our short survey. Or scan the QR code (to right) to go directly to the survey. You'll help us do our job better...and you can win prizes!



## **May (continued)**

Saturday, May 25, 10 am-4 pm, Alaska Botanical Garden

**Alaska Botanical Gardens Day-Bear Aware Booth.** Get excited about gardening - and brush up on your bear safety advice! Free.



Sunday, May 26, 2 pm, Eagle River Nature Center

**How to Stay Safe in Bear Country.** Naturalist Beth Baker presents on how to stay safe recreating and camping in bear country. Free program; \$5 parking for non-members.

Wednesday, May 29, 7 pm, BLM Campbell Creek Science Center

**Bear Aware for Families.** Geared for families with children. Learn to use bear spray; free.

## **June**

Saturday, June 1, BLM Campbell Creek Science Center

**National Trails Day - Bear Aware Booth and Bear Spray Training.**

Come out to volunteer at Trails Day and learn about bear safety after the work party.

Saturday, June 8, 11 am-4 pm, Potter Marsh

**Potter Marsh Discovery Day - Bear Aware Booth and Bear Spray**

**Training.** Learn about bear spray from BLM educators and try inert spray.

Thursday, June 27, 6-7:30 pm, REI

**Bear Aware Clinic.** Learn about living and recreating responsibly in bear country; by ADF&G. Free.

## **July**

Friday, July 5-Sunday, July 7, Girdwood

**Girdwood Forest Fair - Wild and Aware Girdwood Booth.** This year's theme is "If the trees could speak." Come see what the bears would say if they could talk about living and recreating responsibly in bear country. Featuring art from Girdwood students.

Tuesday, July 9, 6-7:30 pm, REI

**Bear Aware Clinic.** Learn about living and recreating responsibly in bear country. By ADF&G; free.

Saturday, July 20, 2-4 pm, Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center

**Meet the Bears.** Discover similarities and differences between black and brown bears at AWCC's Bear Education Awareness Research Sanctuary. Fun activities for all ages. Admission applies.

## **August**

Saturday, August 10, 2-4 pm, Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center

**Meet the Bears.** Discover similarities and differences between black and brown bears at AWCC's Bear Education Awareness Research Sanctuary. Fun activities for all ages. Admission applies.

Thursday, August 29, 6-7:30 pm, REI

**Bear and Moose Aware Clinic.** Learn about living and recreating responsibly in bear and moose country. By ADF&G; free. At this late summer clinic, we'll cover moose safety too!

## **September**

Tuesday, September 10, Kincaid Park, registration begins 5:30 pm.

**Bonny Sosa Tuesday Night Race Series - Bear Aware Booth.** The bears are still awake so be bear aware while recreating this fall!