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CLUB FIELD TRIPS

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Mission Statement

To foster education and knowledge on natural history
and to encourage and promote activities that lead
to the appreciation, preservation and
conservation of our natural heritage

History

The Trinidad and Tobago Field Naturalists' Club, a society for the study of Natural History, is one of the oldest clubs existing in Trinidad and Tobago and the wider Caribbean.

Founded on July 10 1891 the Club lapsed into inactivity in 1907 but was reactivated in 1924. A second short period of inactivity reoccurred from 1948-1953. Since then the Club has remained vibrant and fully active.

The Club operates under a constitution and a set of rules and traditions. It was incorporated by an Act of Parliament (Act No. 17 of 1991) in celebration of its 100th anniversary. The club is a nonprofit organization and has applied to the Board of Inland Revenue for Charitable Status.

The affairs of the Club are vested in and conducted by a Management Committee consisting of eight members elected at the Annual General Meeting.

Disclaimer

The Trinidad and Tobago Field Naturalists' Club shall not be responsible for any damage, injury or loss caused and/or incurred by the acts or omissions of any member or visitor. Any such member or visitor shall indemnify the Club against any liability of such damage, injury or loss.

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THE TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
FIELD NATURALISTS' CLUB



**PROGRAMME
OF
ACTIVITIES
2023/2024**

Founded in 1891

Monthly Meetings

The General Club Meetings are held at 5:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month in the Audio-Visual Room at St. Mary’s College, Frederick Street, Port-of-Spain, **except in December.**

Meetings, except the Annual General Meeting and the members’ evening, feature a lecture. Additional lectures may be scheduled on an *ad hoc* basis. The public is welcome to attend these meetings.

Field Trips

Field trips are undertaken by the Club for the edification and enjoyment of its members. The Guidebook for these trips is the Trinidad and Tobago Field Naturalists’ Club Trail Guide Second Edition (2006). Only registered members may participate in field trips.

All participants are expected to adhere to the Country Code set out in Chapter 2 of the Trail Guide and to be familiar with the safety recommendations listed therein. Members are also expected to follow strict Covid 19 social distances protocols during these trips. Club Trips are held on the last Sunday of the month.

Most club trips depart from Central Bank, Cor. St. Vincent Street and South Quay, P.O.S at 6:15 a.m. If the route passes St. Augustine, the trip departs from the south entrance (along the road exiting to the highway) to the University of the West Indies at 6:30 a.m.

Bird Group trips are generally held on the second Sunday of the month and depart 6:00 a.m. or earlier. Other group outings are generally held on the third Sunday of the month but this can vary. Attend the monthly meetings or contact group leaders for further

THEME: The status of Ecosystems and Biodiversity in T&T.									
This year we will be celebrating the natural history work of TTFNC members and other naturalists over the past century.									
MONTH		LECTURES (*tentative)		CLUB TRIPS (re-visiting past study sites)		BIRD GROUP		OTHER GROUPS	
2023	April	13	History of T&T water resources & coastal natural heritage. Nicolaas Kersting	30	Chimborazo Hill (Tabaquite) P. Comeau sites	16	Caroni Swamp	8	Bugs: Bush Bush (Nariva)
	May	11	History of T&T birds. Graham White	28	Simla Field Station R. ffrench sites	13	Icacos Swamps	06	TTFNC Annual Family Day La Vega Estate (9am—4pm)
	June	15	History of T&T butterfly collections. Charles De Gannes	03-04	Bioblitz SW Tobago	03-04	Bioblitz SW Tobago Bajnath’s Estate	03	Mammal: Bush Bush (Nariva)
				25	Lopinot Forest	10	Matura National Park	10	Bugs: Arena Forest
								18	Art: TBA
	July	13	Members’ Evening All Members	30	St Ann’s Ridgeline M. Barcant & F. Urich sites	09	Aranguez Wetlands	15	Herps: Project: Monitoring frogs (NE Tobago)
						16	Bush Bush (Nariva)		
	Aug	10	History of T&T mammals Detta van Aardt-Buch	25-27	Grand Tacarib V. Quesnel & T. Farrell sites	13	Catshill, (Moruga)	12	Herps: Project: Monitoring frogs (NE Tobago)
2024	Sep	14	History of T&T amphibians. Renoir J. Auguste	24	Chaguaramas Is. H. Boos & K. Kenny sites	10	West coast shorebirds (Waterloo)	03	Bug & Botany: Arena Forest
						17	Pitch Lake, La Brea	09	Bugs: Caroni Swamp
								16	Herps: Project: Monitoring frogs (NE Tobago)
	Oct	12	History of T&T plants. Yasmin Comeau (PhD)	29	Nariva swamp/ Mt Harris reserve P. Bacon & E. Tikasingh sites	14	Caroni Rice Fields	07	Mammal: Chaguaramas
						22	Rousillac Swamp	14	Herps:
	Nov	09	History of T&T geology. Philip Farfan	26	Tamana Valley R. Lechmere sites	05	Chacachacare	11	Herps: Project: Monitoring frogs (NE Tobago)
	Dec	10	Annual Year-end Thanksgiving		None		TBA	9	Bugs: Wa Samaki Ecosystems
2024	Jan	11	Annual General Meeting Annual Report & Elections of Officers	28	Maracas Valley/ Water fall J. Beard sites	07	Caroni Swamp		None
						13-14	Bon Accord SW Tobago		
	Feb	08	History of T&T forest reserves. Floyd Homer (PhD)	25	Cumuto Forest M. Oatham sites	18	Plum Mitan (Nariva)	18	Art: TBA
	Mar	14	Artistic history of T&T. Edward Rooks	22-24	Main Ridge D. Rooks I. Lambie	17	South Oropouche	17	Botany: Morne Bleu