



10th Annual Women in the Wild

April 27-29, 2018 Port Bay Hunting & Fishing Club, Rockport TX

Mission Statement: To provide women who participate with a safe and fun environment in which to familiarize themselves with some of the many outdoor recreational opportunities in the Coastal Bend.

This is a Texas Outdoors Woman Network (TOWN) Rockport Chapter event in partnership with Texas Parks & Wildlife Department and our many sponsors and guest instructors. Membership in TOWN is not required to participate. For more information about this event or general membership, visit our website: www.townrockport.org or email: townrockport@yahoo.com.

Registration:

- Regular Registration - \$135.00 per participant for entries marked through April 6
- Late Registration - \$160 per participant for entries postmarked after April 6
- Event is limited to ladies 18 and up and there are a limited number of spots available.
- Event location - Port Bay Hunting Club (310 Port Bay Road, Rockport, Texas 78382).

Entry fee includes participation in three (3) of the listed events, a bag full of goodies, dinner on Saturday night at the mixer, lunch and snacks on Saturday and Sunday and non-alcoholic beverages throughout. If you have specific dietary needs please feel free to bring your own meals and/or drinks. Once your registration is received an informational packet will be sent via email to you as confirmation of your registration. Your final class list will not be released until you arrive at check in.

This is a day camp situation, lodging is not provided. If you need overnight lodging there are many great hotels and cottages that you may reserve in the Rockport area. Please check out the Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce at www.rockport-fulton.org for available accommodations.

Check in:

Will be held at Winery on the Bay (1007 E North St.) on Friday April 27 from 5-7 p.m. Late check in will be held on Saturday April 28 from 7:00-7:45 a.m. at Port Bay Hunting Club. We will be starting at 7:45 a.m. SHARP.

Event Schedule:

Saturday start time is 7:45 a.m. at Port Bay Hunting Club. We will start with a group photo and some quick instructions for the day. Please be on time so that you are included in the group photo. We will then disperse to scheduled stations with an outdoor lunch break, and will end at approximately at 2:30 p.m. We will have a guest speaker during our lunch break.

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Social will be from 6-10pm at Poor Man's Country Club (1009 BSN HWY 35). Join us for raffle drawings, a good time, and other fun surprises at this year's social. We will be serving you dinner starting at 7 p.m. Non-alcoholic beverages will be provided and alcohol will be available for purchase.

Sunday start time is 7:45 a.m. We will meet directly at Fulton Harbor or Camp Aranzazu depending on your scheduled activity preference. Lunch will be provided. We plan on going until 2pm.

Equipment:

Sensible shoes are a must, this event is on a large outdoor grass area, not on pavement, and walking will be required. Long pants are a good idea to combat mosquitoes. Please bring a lawn chair, jacket, sunglasses, hat, etc.

Weather:

Be sure to dress for the weather especially if participating in the kayaking. The water may still be cool and the weather may be as well. This event will not be canceled unless the weather is severe and we will shift events as needed to accommodate the weather.

Cancellation Policy:

Any cancellations received prior to 4/6 will get a refund minus a \$35 fee. There will be no refunds for cancellations after 4/6.

Hurricane Harvey Recovery:

With our 10th year of success will also come many changes due to Hurricane Harvey. Although different, we assure you we will fulfill our mission of providing a safe and fun environment to familiarize women with some of the many outdoor recreational opportunities in the Coastal Bend.

For our returning participants, the biggest difference you will quickly realize is that all of the structures at our historic Port Pay Hunting Club were destroyed by Hurricane Harvey. They have worked very hard to clean up and begin the rebuilding process starting with a clean slate. Due to lack of shelter, several of our normal classes have been postponed this year and we will only spend our first day on site. We are excited to introduce a new event host for day two...the beautiful and amazing Camp Aranzazu. Learn more about this hidden gem at <http://www.camparanzazu.org>.

Rockport Strong! We aren't 100 % but every day we are closer with your help. Our community is still beautiful and open for business! Come find yourself in Rockport-Fulton. Your attendance in this important event helps to drive our economy and helps us in our recovery. More businesses and hotels are opening every day and look forward to seeing you soon!

Celebrating a decade of Wild Women!!!

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Day One Courses Offered (participate in two):

Firearms - Learn about firearm safety, how to work a shotgun, and shoot clay targets. B.B. guns will be offered for anyone but especially for those who have never fired a long gun. Skeet is a great sport and popular all over the world. You may bring your own shotgun but remember to bring your own ammo. The weapon must be unloaded until told to load at the station. Each participant will be given a select amount of shells to shoot (2 boxes). Additional boxes will be available to purchase.

Gun Safety, Shot Gun Cleaning and Maintenance - You have learned how to shoot, so now let's learn how to take care of our shotguns. During this class you will learn handgun safety, gun maintenance and cleaning. Participants may bring their own shotgun and check it in on the day of their class. There will be no shooting in this class, but learn how to properly care for your gun and be safe doing so.

Archery - Learn the basics of this ancient skill whether you would like to one day take a deer or would rather just target practice.

Self Defense - Receive basic instruction on how to take precautions and protect yourself from intended harm. The course is taught by the Aransas County Sheriff's Department with hands-on demonstrations.

Fishing Basics - This course teaches the basics of how to get ready for fishing. Instructor will teach how to tie knots to secure a hook, different reel and bait options, how to cast and much more. Participants will also sein for marine creatures and give throwing a cast net a try.

Kayaks - Basic and Advanced course, skill level to be determined by instructor during the class. Want an inexpensive way to get out in the bay? Try the basic course on safety and operation of kayaks with participants receiving practical hands on experience. Once again the water may be cool and the weather may be as well, so dress appropriately and if you have waders please bring them. Participants will have to walk in the water and may get wet sitting in the kayak so bring a change of footwear and clothes.

Kayak Fishing - Do you love to fish and kayak but are not sure how that all works? Learn the skills to safely and productively fish from your kayak during this class. The instructor will guide you through safety precautions and techniques of kayak fishing. Participants need to be comfortable in a kayak as well as casting their fishing rod. This is not a course for beginners of either fishing or kayaking. Once again the water may be cool and the weather may be as well, so dress appropriately. Participants will have to walk in the water and may get wet sitting in the kayak so bring a change of footwear and clothes. You MUST have a valid fishing license to take this class.

Game Processing - Learn how to fillet a fish, breast out a bird, and process a hog as taught by our Game Wardens. Game dependent on availability.

Stand Up Paddle Boarding - Standup Paddle Boarding (SUP) is the newest water recreation activity. Learn how to use a board and enjoy some time out on the water. All participants must know how to swim and feel comfortable in the water.

Stand Up Paddle Board Yoga - If you're looking for a new challenge, yoga on a stand up paddleboard will reinvigorate you and push you to become an even better yogi than you thought possible — all while enjoying the natural splendor of floating on water. All participants must know how to swim and feel comfortable on the water.

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Day Two Courses Offered (participate in one):

Field Science - Want to know more about what Aransas Bay has to offer? Our bay system has endless opportunities for adventure. Class activities may include wetlands exploration boat tours, cast netting, seining/sampling, species and bird identification and instruction on general field science and knowledge. This will be a very hands-on opportunity to learn about the coastal eco-system. Please wear pants, closed toe water shoes, and clothing that you don't mind getting wet in for this event.

Adventure Camp – Explore all that beautiful Camp Aranzazu has to offer overlooking Copano Bay. Class activities may include team building, ropes/challenge course, zip line, scavenger hunts, nature interaction, hiking and camp fire building. This beautiful facility is full accessible and activities can be modified to meet the skill and ability levels of all participants.

Hurricane Recovery Community Service Project – Work with your hands, get a little dirty and learn new skills. We intend to rebuild something destroyed by the storm to be a permanent contribution by Women in the Wild to the community. May include operation of heavy equipment and skill tools under supervision of a qualified instructor. This rigorous activity may not be suited for everyone. Closed toed shoes and clothing you don't mind getting dirty required for this worthy activity.

Event Hosts:



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Registration Form - Only return this page with payment

Rank your choices! We will try to accommodate as best as possible. This will be a first received registration first choice set up in order to try and be as fair as possible. Please strike through any event in which you absolutely cannot participate.

Day One: Rank your choices in order of 1-11 with 1 being your most preferred choice.

- ___ Firearms
- ___ Gun Safety, Cleaning & Maintenance
- ___ Archery
- ___ Self Defense
- ___ Fishing Basics
- ___ Kayaks
- ___ Kayak Fishing
- ___ Game Processing
- ___ Field Science
- ___ Stand Up Paddle Boarding
- ___ Stand Up Paddle Boarding Yoga

Day Two: Rank your choices in order of 1-3 with 1 being your most preferred choice.

- ___ Field Science
- ___ Adventure Camp
- ___ Community Service Project

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Shirt Size: **XS** **S** **M** **L** **XL** **XXL**

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Emergency Contact: _____ Emergency Phone: _____

Signature: _____

By signing the registered participant, on her own behalf and on behalf of her heirs, executors, administrators, waives and releases any and all rights and claims for damages and loss she may have against the event facility, its employees, volunteers, insurance carriers, other entrants and representatives, successors and assigns for any and all injuries or losses she may suffer in this event.

No Yes I would like to share my name and email () and/or phone number () and/or address () with other participants in the event. Information will not be used for solicitation. This information will be compiled in our first annual yearbook available for purchase at the event and shipped to you at a later date.

How did you hear about Women in the Wild? Facebook Friend/Relative WWN Radio
Other If other, please share source _____

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