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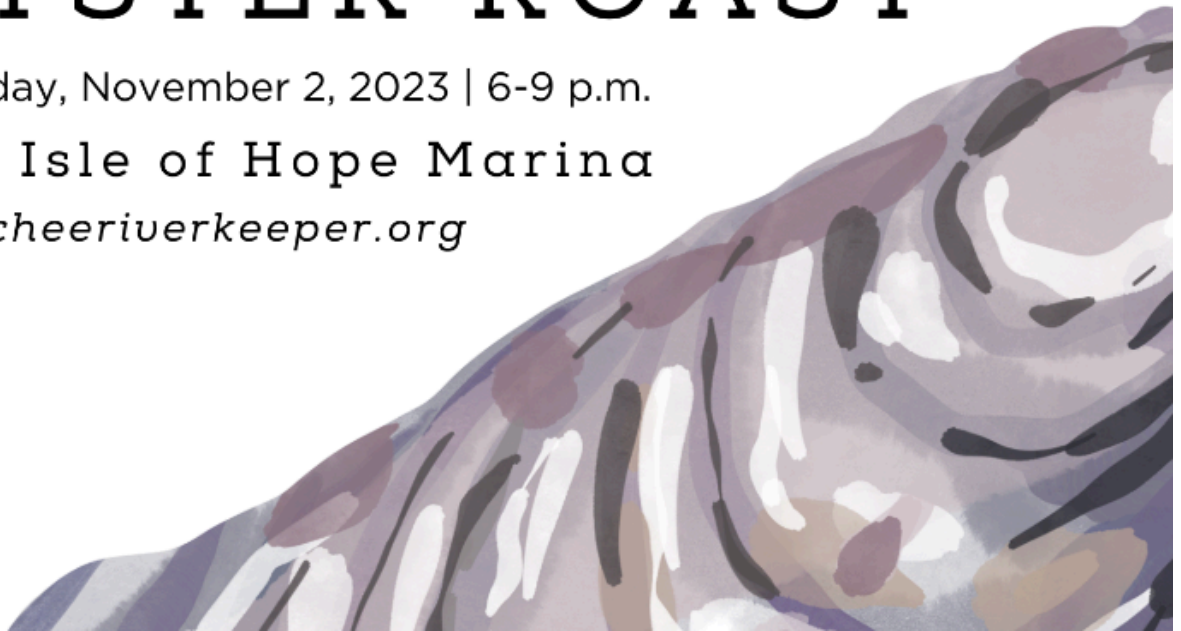
Newsletter
August 2023

OYSTER ROAST

Thursday, November 2, 2023 | 6-9 p.m.

TPG Isle of Hope Marina

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Tickets On Sale Now!

Ogeechee Riverkeeper's annual oyster roast is back this fall!

We'll have all-you-can-eat freshly steamed oysters, plus delicious barbeque and sides from [Barnes Restaurant](#). Your ticket also includes unlimited beer and wine. You won't want to miss the exclusive Ogeechee Riverkeeper ale from [Moon River Brewing](#)!

With fabulous tunes from [DJ Phivestar](#), and amazing silent auction items, it's going to be the best party of the season!

AND most importantly, it supports the crucial work of ORK.

Get your oyster
roast tickets

Become an annual
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Photos from the
2022 Oyster Roast

Blackwater Barons

ORK has teamed up with local artist [Juliana Smith](#) to create a custom artwork entitled “Blackwater Barons” featuring the plants and wildlife in the Ogeechee River watershed. Juliana designed the piece, carved the linocut by hand, and pulled a limited number of prints. Each print is signed and numbered by the artist.



Limited edition prints



Sign up now

Members Only: Photography workshop

ORK and [Parker Stewart](#) will host a members-only nature photography workshop on October 7. This low country landscape photography workshop will focus on how to best capture the water, light, flora, and fauna, and ways everyone can use photography as a tool to tell a story about a place and its beauty.

Dog Days of Summer

The month of August is historically known as the Dog Days of Summer which refers to a period of particularly hot and humid weather occurring during the summer months. To celebrate, our [pet bandanas will be on sale for \\$7](#) for the rest of August.



Dog Days



ORK intern headed to Yale

James Burke first came to ORK by taking the initiative at his school to raise money for our organization, as a part of a student fundraiser. He helped pave the way for future high school interns and wish him all the best at Yale! Read his memories of working with ORK.

Letter from James

More about Mel

Mel is the education and outreach coordinator for ORK, which means she is often found in classrooms, at outdoor events, or in the creek leading a cleanup. She works to make sure the public has access to the resources ORK has to offer and to make sure citizens have plenty of chances to interact with ORK's many facets.



Meet Mel



Read her blog

Hannah's landing project

There is a high amount of trash present along the river in Bulloch County. For this project, Hannah Dugan, ORK's lead volunteer and summer intern, placed trash cans at the boat ramps. The cans are managed by volunteers, being emptied on a monthly basis.

Birds & Bins

Come join ORK, Ogeechee Audubon, and Ford Field and River Club for a birding walk and litter cleanup on **September 16**. Co-leaders will help locate and identify birds, educate us about the southern part of the Ogeechee watershed while we cleanup the waterways.



Details and registration



Legal advocacy

One of ORK's roles is to provide expert comments on applications regarding water quality impacts. Recently, ORK has written official responses several applications and proposals. All are available [online](#).

[View ORK's official comments](#)

Shirts are back in stock!

Our popular Redbreast sunfish and American alligator shirts are back in stock! These were produced by local printer Blackmon Outfitters. Find your favorite now!



[Shop the store](#)



River's Alive

Join the Ogeechee Riverkeeper and Jenkins County Chamber of Commerce for a [River's Alive](#) Community Cleanup in Sandersville on September 30.

[Register now](#)

Jenkins County regional landfill

ORK supports the citizens of Jenkins County in their fight against a proposed regional landfill. We encourage anyone who wants to protect the river and the area's environment to sign on to the

petition. You don't have to live in Jenkins County to [sign the petition](#) or to be involved.



[Sign the petition](#)



[Register now](#)

Adopt-A-Stream training

Join the Ogeechee Riverkeeper in Louisville for a Georgia Adopt-A-Stream training on **August 26**. This training is free but registration is required.



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**There are many ways you can help the Ogeechee Riverkeeper protect,
preserve and improve the waterways within our basin.**

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