

# ZIMMER CLUB YOUTH CONSERVATION PROGRAM



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## 2022 ~ ANNUAL FREE WINTER YOUTH CONSERVATION PROGRAM

The Zimmer Club youth program uses the great outdoors as a classroom to teach youngsters about outdoor activities, conservation, and embracing nature. Our program blends learning with recreation in the belief that this approach heightens the participant's environmental awareness. We introduce youngsters to activities that bring conservation topics to life such as environmental conservation, estuary systems, Blue and Greenbelt management, hunting, fishing (both salt and fresh-water), boating, first aid, camping, gun safety, archery, marksmanship, compass and map reading, and more.

**ALL CLASSES ARE FREE TO GIRLS AND BOYS UNDER 18**

(Classes are for ages 5 to 17 as stated. Children under 10 may participate; however, a parent or guardian must also attend)

**PRE-REGISTER ON-LINE OR ANY DAY OF EVENT - One registration is good for all classes**

**ALL CLASSES START AT 9:00AM @ THE CLUBHOUSE (except when indicated below)**

Week	CLASS DATE	Ages	SUBJECT	INSTRUCTOR
1	Jan. 29 <sup>th</sup>	5-17	<b>Registration/Orientation &amp; Pancake Breakfast with a presentation at 11:00 AM by the NYFD Home Safety Unit</b>	ZCYSI - Anthony Gulemmo, Mark Yuknek, & NYFD Safety Unit
2	Feb 5 <sup>th</sup>	8-17	<b>Education – Introduction to Scuba Diving &amp; Nature Photography</b> using your cell, tablet & other devices, point & shoot camera, phone a cell phone/camera	SI Sports Divers: Marty Everson, John Ares, Gary Chaiken
3	Feb 12 <sup>th</sup>	8-17	<b>Survival Skills Emergency First Aid-</b> What to do, before help arrives? With special presentation <b>SI Drug Awareness Unit – Richmond County DA's Office</b>	NYC EMT's Frank Hauber & Mike Dixon, Richmond County DA Mike McMahon <b>HSC-G&amp;B</b>
4	Feb 19 <sup>th</sup>	9-17 5-8	<b>Outdoor Sports - Marksmanship</b> with Firearm Range & Handling Safety Introduction, Eddie Eagle (What to do when you find a gun?) <b>Internet Safety &amp; Cyber Bullying</b>	ZCYSI - John Donohue, Vincent Montagna, Mike Reilly, Robert Nebel & <b>George Padula HSC-G</b>
5	Feb 26 <sup>th</sup>	8-17	<b>Education – at 9 AM</b> - Electricity – how it is made and how to use it – with hands-on building lead by our licensed electricians & at 11:00 AM - NYFD Home Safety Unit	ZCYSI – Carmine Muscarella and Tommy Interligi – NYFD Home Safety Unit
6	Mar 5 <sup>th</sup>	8-17	<b>Outdoor Sports – Equine Sports</b> – with introduction to horse care and grooming - an off-site visit to “Into the Woods Equestrian Center – dress accordingly	ZCYSI – Instructors lead the off-site
7	<del>Mar 12<sup>th</sup></del> <b>Moved to Mar 19<sup>th</sup></b>	10-17	<b>Outdoor Sports – All About Archery</b> – Learn the parts of a bow & arrow, range procedures, and marksmanship plus intro to archery competition	Bob Nebel, George Padula and SI Edge Archery <b>HSB-B</b>

8	<b>Mar 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5-17</b>	<b>Community Awareness - Meet our SI Elected Officials and Law Enforcement Departments with special presentations of the working animals and equipment in the various units.</b>	Local, State and US Law Enforcement Agencies, Elected Officials both City and State
9	<b>Mar 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10-17</b>	<b>Outdoor Sports – Staten Island Wildlife – Fishing</b> – hands-on learning the skills and methods of fishing including tackle, habitat and the many species of fish	Rob Nelson with Peter Nelson and ZCYSI - Mike Buono
10	<b>Apr 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>5-17</b>	<b>Outdoor Sports – Staten Island Wildlife – Birds of Prey - Falconry</b> - live presentation with Red Tail Hawk, Goshawk, Harris Hawk & Other Birds of Prey	Professional Falconers Group led by Paul Scara
11	<b>Apr 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10-17</b>	<b>Conservation &amp; Environment - Conservation, Environment, Habitat Awareness, and a Trail Walk – (Onsite) NYS Clay Pit Pond Park</b>	NYS Parks Department, Robert Chiusano, Mike Buono <b><u>HSC-G&amp;B</u></b>
-	<b>Apr 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Easter and Passover Weekend – No Class Scheduled</b>	Free Day
12	<b>Apr 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>5-17</b>	<b>Education – Staten Island Zoo Mobile Unit &amp; Awards Ceremony - Student Luncheon &amp; Awards Ceremony</b>	ZCYSI – Instructors & SI Zoo Mobile Team
TBA	<b>TBA</b>	<b>11 to 17 10 to 17</b>	<b>Outdoor Sports Education - NYS DEC Sportsman Education Program</b> 8 hours instruction for State certification- registration & prequalification test required <b>Outdoor Sports Education - NYS PRHP Safe Boating Program</b> 8 hours instruction for State certification- registration	NYS DEC Certified Instructors & DEC Conservation Officers  NYS PRHP Certified Instructors

Classes have age requirements and/or attendance requirement for participation, and snacks may be distributed on a class by class basis. At the conclusion of each class session, a knowledge assessment test will be administered which helps determine end of program awards. The tests results are factored into the accumulation of points awarded for: (a) Test Scores; (b) Class attendance; (c) Class participation; and (d) Marksmanship. Point accumulation exceptions: If a student attended a certification class, having an age requirement, their points score will be awarded for their prior attendance.

### **IMPORTANT:**

1. See Hunter Safety Class (HSC) announcement and required attendance information under **INSTRUCTORS as HSC-G &/or B** .

2. All classes subject to change so please confirm on our website.

3. In addition, NYC and US CDC health guidelines will be observed without question.

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