



## Indian River County Venue Event Calendar – January 2024

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### HOMESCHOOL DRAMA CLUB

Tuesdays @ Brackett Library

- 2:00pm-3:00pm. FREE!
    - Ages 8-14.
    - Join us for drama and improv games, readers theater and more. Registration is required, space is limited.
    - To register contact Patti Fuchs at 772-400-6318 or [pfuchs@indianriver.gov](mailto:pfuchs@indianriver.gov).
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### ROLL WITH IT

Beginning Friday, January 5 @ North Library

- 10:30am-12:00pm. FREE!
    - Ages 18 & older.
    - Classic board games are back and we've got them! Visit us on the first Friday of every month to make new friends and re-live days gone by. No registration necessary.
    - For more information contact 772-400-6308.
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### LECTURE AND GUIDED BIRDING EXPERIENCE

Wednesday, January 10 @ Captain Forster Hammock Preserve

- 8:00am-11:00am. FREE!
    - All ages are welcome.
    - Join distinguished bird watcher David Simpson as we explore the wonderful world of Birding! Participants will enjoy the comprehensive birding experience offered when combining our lecture series with the guided experience!
    - Space is limited. Register at [conservation@indianriver.gov](mailto:conservation@indianriver.gov) or contact Ashley at 772-365-1284 for more information.
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### VERO BEACH GUN SHOW

Saturday and Sunday, January 13 & 14 @ IRC Fairgrounds

- Saturday, 9:00am-5:00pm. Cost \$8.
- Sunday, 10:00am-4:00pm. Cost \$8.
  - All ages are welcome.
  - Join us for the Vero Beach Gun Show! This is a 2-day buy, sell and trade event, open to all. Attend classes and seminars.
  - Go to <https://www.patriotshows.com/> for more information.

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## **GOPHER TORTOISE TRAINING**

Wednesday, January 17 @ iG Center

- 5:30pm-7:30pm. FREE!

Thursday, January 18 @ Cypress Bend Preserve

- 2:00pm-4:00pm. FREE!
  - All ages are welcome.
  - This two-day training event will provide the information and experience necessary to assist the County in locating Florida gopher tortoise burrows on conservation lands.
  - Space is limited. Register at [conservation@indianriver.gov](mailto:conservation@indianriver.gov) or contact Ashley at 772-365-1284 for more information.

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## **SWIFTIE PARTY**

Thursday, January 18 @ Main Library

- 6:00pm. FREE!
  - Ages 6-12.
  - Join us for games, crafts and more that celebrate Taylor Swift. Registration is required.
  - For more information or to register contact Patti Fuchs [pfuchs@indianriver.gov](mailto:pfuchs@indianriver.gov) or 772-400-6318.

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## **ANIME FILM CLUB**

Friday, January 19 @ North Library

- 3:30pm. FREE!
  - Ages 12-18.
  - Teens only! Join us on the 1st Wednesday of every month for Anime / Film / Club. Every month we'll be watching an episode from the collectively selected anime series and partaking in activities related to the show. No registration is required.
  - For more information or to register contact Gi Lee [glee@indianriver.gov](mailto:glee@indianriver.gov) or 772-400-6308.

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## **FLORIDA MATER NATURALIST: CONSERVATION SCIENCE**

Beginning January 19 @ Location varies by topic.

- Times vary. Cost \$250.
  - Ages 18 & older.
  - Participants will learn about biological diversity, ecosystem integrity, and conservation tools and strategies through lectures, field trips, guest speakers, and self-led projects.
  - To register, go to <https://conference.ifas.ufl.edu/fmnp/>

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## **BBQ, BACON AND BREWS FESTIVAL**

Saturday and Sunday, January 20 & 21 @ IRC Fairgrounds

- Sunday, 10:00am-5:00pm. Cost \$6.
  - All ages are welcome.
  - Family fun and festivities, fall off the bone BBQ and more!
  - Go to [AllEvents.in](http://AllEvents.in) for more information.

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## **DRAGON EGG PAINTING**

Tuesday, January 23 @ Brackett Library

- 5:00pm. FREE!
  - Ages 12-18.
  - Teens only! What better way to celebrate the Year of the Dragon than by painting dragon eggs? The eggs symbolize prosperity and hope, and are pretty neat to look at too! Each teen will be given a 3-D printed egg to paint.
  - For more information or to register contact Gi Lee [glee@indianriver.gov](mailto:glee@indianriver.gov) or 772-400-6308.

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## **ANTIQUES FESTIVAL**

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, January 26-28 @ IRC Fairgrounds

- Friday, 12:00pm-5:00pm. Cost \$10.
- Saturday, 9:00am-5:00pm. Cost \$10.
- Sunday, 9:00am-4:00pm. Cost \$10.
  - All ages are welcome.
  - Join us for the annual Antiques Festival. Unique gifts, household items, and more!
  - Contact Bill Puchstein at [puchs2@yahoo.com](mailto:puchs2@yahoo.com) for more information.

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## **PETER D. O'BRYAN OPEN DISC GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP**

Saturday, January 27 @ Kiwanis Hobart Park

- Saturday, 8:00am. Cost \$40 per 4-person team.
  - Join us for the annual Peter D. O'Bryan Open Golf Disc Championship. Space is limited to 18 teams. There will be light refreshments served at check-in. Prizes, Raffle, and a free t-shirt. Register by 1/12 to guarantee your shirt size.
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.

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## **HANDGUN 101**

Sunday, January 28 @ IRC Public Shooting Range

- 9:00am-2:00pm. Cost \$100.
  - A complete guide to understanding the basics of firearm ownership, safety, nomenclature and how it applies to self-defense. This course is taught by an NRA Certified Instructor. Upon successful completion participants will receive a certificate that may be submitted to the State of Florida as proof of training if applying for a CCWP.
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-3096.

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## **FRICTION FARM: MODERN FOLK DUO**

Tuesday, January 30 @ Brackett Library

- 6:00pm. FREE!
  - All ages welcome.
  - Modern - folk duo Friction Farm, is a husband and wife team of internationally traveling troubadours. Aidan Quinn and Christine Stay, combine storytelling, social commentary and humor to create songs of everyday life, local heroes, and quirky observations.

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## **PUZZLE CHALLENGE**

Wednesday, January 31 @ Main Library

- 11:30am. FREE!
  - Ages 18 & older.
  - Teams will race against the clock to see who can finish their jigsaw puzzle in the fastest time. The Puzzle Challenge is open to 10 teams of up to 4 members per team. Registration is required and open now!
  - For more information or to register contact Karrie Cole [kcole@indianriver.gov](mailto:kcole@indianriver.gov) or 772-400-6310.

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## **SCRUB-JAY VOLUNTEER TRAINING EVENT**

Wednesday, January 31 @ iG Center

- 1:00pm-4:00pm. FREE!

Thursday, February 1 @ Wabasso Scrub Sanctuary

- 8:00am-3:00pm. FREE!
  - Ages 18 & older.
  - Please join us for our annual two-day Florida Scrub-Jay Volunteer Training Event, and learn how you can become part of this exciting program.
  - Space is limited. Register at [conservation@indianriver.gov](mailto:conservation@indianriver.gov) or contact Ashley at 772-365-1284 for more information.

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## **100 MILE SWIMCLUB**

Daily @ North County and Gifford Aquatic Centers

- All ages are welcome.
- Get started by setting a personal goal, whether you want to swim 5 miles or 500. Sign up all year long by visiting our aquatics desk. Annual membership \$10.00 for local tracking, (laps swam at North county or Gifford Aquatics pool) or 15.00 for Global tracking, (laps swam anywhere) valid January-December.
- All participants reaching the 100 miles will receive a yearly certificate indicating the total miles swam and be invited to the end of the year potluck and recognition ceremony.
- Swimmer who swim 100 miles at North County and Gifford Aquatic Centers, within the year, will receive an exclusive 100 Mile Swim Club T-shirt.
- Sign up at either facility today and just keep swimming!

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## **ADULT OPEN GYM BASKETBALL**

Tuesday and Thursday @ iG Center

- 8:30am-11:30am. Cost \$6.
  - Adults 18 & older.
  - Time where the gymnasium is available to adults to practice skills, shoot hoops, and play pick-up games.
  - Call 772-226-1780 for more information.

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## **AQUAFIT**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Year-Round @ North County Aquatic Center

- 9:30am-10:30am. Cost \$4 (or 8 class pass \$28).

Friday, 10:30am-11:30am @ Gifford Aquatic Center

- All ages are welcome.
- Move along to music as you perform instructor-guided moves designed to improve cardiovascular function, increase core strength, develop better, and burn calories. Let's make the water work for you. Flotation belts and water barbells are available at no charge.
- For more information, contact the North County Aquatic Center (772) 226-1752.

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## **BOARD GAMES**

Thursday @ iG Center

- 1:00pm-3:30pm. Cost \$1.
  - Ages 18 & older.
  - Join us for a fun filled afternoon playing some of our favorite board games!
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.

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## **BRIDGE CLASS**

Thursday @ iG Center

- 4:00pm-6:00pm. Cost \$3.
  - Ages 15 & older.
  - This informal Bridge Class is designed for beginner to intermediate players.
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.

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## **COLORING & COFFEE**

Tuesday @ iG Center

- 9:00am-10:00am. Cost \$1.
  - Ages 55 & older.
  - Looking for a way to unwind and reduce stress? Join us for a morning of relaxation through coloring. Materials provided.
  - For more information call 772-226-1780.

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## **COUNTRY LINE DANCING**

Tuesday @ iG Center

- 6:30pm-7:30pm. Cost \$3.
  - All ages welcome!
  - Join us for a fun evening of Country Line Dancing! Instruction and lessons provided.
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.

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## **GENTLE CHAIR YOGA**

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday @ iG Center

- Monday, 10:30am-11:30am; Tuesday and Thursday, 12:00pm-1:00pm. Cost \$5.
  - All ages welcome!
  - Designed to improve flexibility and strengthen muscles while using a chair for support. Walk-ins welcome.
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.

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## **HEALTHIER YOU WEDNESDAYS**

Third Wednesday, @ iG Center

- 11:00am-12:00pm. FREE!
  - All ages welcome.
  - Join Nutrition Educator Amanda Trott to learn the importance of healthy food choices and how to live a healthier more nutritious lifestyle.
  - For more info call us at 772-226-1780.

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## **HOME GARDENING LECTURE SERIES**

Second Tuesday @ Brackett Library

- 12:00pm-4:00pm. FREE!
  - Ages 18 & older.
  - Participants will learn about a variety of home gardening topics. They can register for one lecture or the entire series.
  - To register, go to [bit.ly/46BwpmO](http://bit.ly/46BwpmO)

Second Thursday @ North County Library

- 10:00am-1:00pm. FREE!
  - Ages 18 & older.
  - Participants will learn about a variety of home gardening topics. They can register for one lecture or the entire series.
  - To register, go to [bit.ly/46BwpmO](http://bit.ly/46BwpmO)

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## **HOMESCHOOL PE**

Tuesday @ iG Center

- 3:00pm-4:00pm. Cost \$3.
  - Ages 4-10 years. Limited spots please register.
  - A great chance for children to exercise and make new friends. Teaching children valuable life skills such as teamwork, fairness, and good sportsmanship.
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.

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## **IRC STEEL CHALLENGE**

Last Friday of every month @ IRC Shooting Range

- Begins at 9:00am. Cost \$20.00 plus tax, includes standard pistol and rifle ranges.
  - Allows shooters to test their abilities on steel targets and practice their magazine reloads in the process. No registration required.
  - For more information call 772-226-3096.

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## **MAHJONG**

Tuesday and Thursday @ iG Center

- Tuesday 10:00am-1:00pm; Thursday 10:30am-1:00pm. Cost \$2.
  - Ages 18 & older.
  - Tile sets are provided as you play in groups of 3-4. Please bring your own Mahjong card.
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.

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## **MAT PILATES**

Tuesday and Thursday @ iG Center

- 9:15am-10:15am. Cost \$12.
  - All ages welcome.
  - Exercises are structured using special equipment designed to improve strength, flexibility, posture and enhance mental awareness. Walk-ins welcome.
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.

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## **OPEN PLAY PICKLEBALL**

Monday, Wednesday and Friday @ iG Center

- 8:30am-11:30am and 12:00pm-3:00pm. Cost \$3.

Tuesday and Thursday @ iG Center

- 12:00pm-3:00pm. Cost \$3.

Saturday @ iG Center

- 9:00am-12:00pm. Cost \$3.
  - Pickleball is played in the gymnasium (6 courts) as either singles or doubles with a paddle and a plastic whiffle ball. Please bring your own equipment.
  - Call 772-226-1780 for more information.

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## **PICKLEBALL CLASSES – WITH DEREK PRINCE**

Monday (twice monthly, dates vary) @ iG Recreation Center

- 12:30pm-2:00pm. \$30 per class.
  - Beginner Pickleball Levels I – III / Pickleball Doubles Strategy / Intro to Pickleball
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.

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## **OPEN PLAY PING PONG**

Monday @ iG Center

- 5:30pm-8:30pm. Cost \$3.
  - Whether you're a beginner or seasoned pro it's the perfect way to improve your skills, meet new people, and have a blast! Mark your calendar and get ready to unleash your ping pong skills! No registration required!
  - For more info call us at 772-226-1780.

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## **PRE-SCHOOL TUMBLING**

Friday @ iG Center

- 10:15am, 1:00pm, and 4:00pm. Cost \$3 pre-registered; \$5 at the door.
  - Preschool tumbling is a great start for ages 4-5. Children are taught basic tumbling skills such as forwards/backwards rolls, handstands, and cartwheels.

- Improve self-confidence, basic skills, strength, flexibility and balance. Spaces are limited!
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.
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## **QI GONG**

Tuesday @ iG Center

- 10:00am-11:00am. Cost \$12.
    - No special clothing or equipment required. Stand or Sit. Walk-ins welcome.
    - Leave refreshed, relaxed and joyful.
    - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.
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## **RIMFIRE CHALLENGE**

Last Saturday of every month @ IRC Shooting Range

- 9:00am. Cost \$12.60 standard range fee.
    - Open to all levels of shooting enthusiasts. It can be for fun, personal improvement or in preparation for a competition. No registration required.
    - For more information call 772-226-3096.
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## **SENIOR WALKING CLUB**

- Tuesday @ 8:30am @ MLK, Jr. Walking Trail & Park. FREE!
    - Led by Certified Walk with Ease Instructor & Recreation Leader Sarah Eiswerth.
    - For more information call 772-226-1780.
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## **SENIOR WELLNESS-AEROBICS AND WEIGHTS**

Monday, Wednesday and Friday @ iG Center

- 8:45am-9:45am and 10:00am-11:00am. FREE!

Tuesday @ Wabasso Community Center

- 7:00am-8:00am. FREE!
    - Special programming for our 55+ community to have social interaction and light exercise activity. Activities can be adapted to ability levels and interests. Walk-ins welcome.
    - For more information call 772-226-1780.
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## **SENIOR WELLNESS – ROCK AND ROLL CARDIO**

Thursday @ Wabasso Community Center

- 7:00am-8:00am. FREE!

Thursday @ iG Center

- 10:30am-11:30am. FREE!
    - Similar to our regular Senior Wellness Program for 55 & older but with fun dancing music to spice it up a notch. Walk-ins welcome.
    - For more information call 772-226-1780.
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## **SHINE LIGHT WITH CRYSTAL**

Saturday @ iG Center

- 9:00am-10:00am. Cost \$10.
  - Full body cardio and toning workout based in traditional jazz, ballet and hip-hop.
  - Get ready to sweat, smile, shimmy and shake your worries away. Walk-ins welcome.
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.

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## **STRETCH & FLEX**

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday @ iG Center

- 9:30am-10:30am. Cost \$5.
  - Great cardiovascular workout set to music. Helps build endurance and strengthens the heart. Walk-ins welcome.
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.

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## **SWIM LESSONS**

Private swim lessons are available through the fall and winter.

- Cost \$80 per person; scholarships available for those who qualify.
  - The cost includes four 25-minute lessons.
  - For information, call the North County Aquatic Center at 772-226-1752 of the Gifford Aquatic Center at 772-226-1175.

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## **THURSDAY NIGHT LIGHTS**

Thursday @ IRC Shooting Range

- 5:00pm-9:00pm. Cost \$8 per round.
  - We light up the fields for a fun skeet-trap night activity. No registration required.
  - For more information call 772-226-3096.

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## **UP BEAT BOXING**

Tuesday and Thursday @ iG Center

- 3:00pm-4:00pm. FREE!
  - Boxing fitness class geared for ages 55 +. Held twice a week to get you out, active and UP-BEAT! Walk-ins welcome.
  - For more information call 772-226-1780.

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## **VETERANS YOGA PROJECT – MINDFUL RESILIENCE**

Wednesday @ iG Center

- 2:00pm-3:00pm. FREE!
  - Led by Certified Yoga Alliance Trainer Danielle Martinez.
  - Class open to active and retired military, first responders, their families, caregivers and anyone looking to support veterans.
  - Call 772-226-1780 for more information.

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## **YOGA-LATES**

Tuesday and Thursday @ iG Center

- 10:30am-11:30am. Cost \$8.
  - Mix between Yoga and Pilates. Walk-ins welcome.
  - Go to [www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.indianriver.gov/parksandrecreation) to register or call 772-226-1780.