

Welcome to Anson County!

The History

Anson County was named for Lord George Anson, a British naval hero. Anson County once reached all the way to the Mississippi River until it became more populated and too difficult to govern such a vast area. Over the years it was divided several times into smaller more easily administered parcels until we arrived at the beautiful rural agriculturally focused area populated by people who embody the essence of what southern hospitality has come to mean.

If you're looking to find out about the dates, facts and different personalities that shaped the history of Anson County, you must visit the Anson County Historical Society and the museums and historical documentation they maintain.

The Arts

The arts are thriving in Anson County with the renovation of a 1920's era vaudeville theater into a beautiful community theater for live performances. The members of the Anson County Arts Council are passionate in all that they do to enrich the cultural life of our county. They nurture and support programs in theater, music, dance, visual arts, creative writing and poetry and maintain two art galleries featuring work of local and regional artists. Come, let your mind explore and imagine what each artist had in mind when creating their masterpiece.

The Outdoors

From exploring our rural countryside, hugging the curves on our two lane country roads, seeing our rolling hills dotted with old homesteads, picturesque oak trees, well-fed cattle or fields of lush crops to stalking a wild turkey at our national wildlife refuge, to the unspoiled Pee Dee River where you can almost see Indians canoeing down the river with hawks and eagles soaring above them, Anson County offers a variety of outdoor activities.

Anson County is centrally located within two to three hours of the mountains, beaches and metropolitan areas without the hassles, crowds or traffic of big city life.

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Come discover the splendor of rural North Carolina. Get away from the hustle and bustle of city life and relax a little. Cruise the countryside and enjoy the beauty of nature. Drop a line in a fishin' hole and relax with a summer breeze coming off the water. Hop on a bicycle and cycle some of the most scenic cycling trails in North Carolina; they will take your breath away. Bring a camera with a long lens and go on a wildlife photo safari in a wildlife refuge with an abundance of butterflies, birds, deer, wild turkeys and other species native to North Carolina.

Few master the game of golf, the rest of us have fun trying. So if you would like to get out and pound that little white ball while in Anson County, try your skill at the par-72 Twin Valley Country Club public course. This course was designed by two legendary course designers. The front-nine were designed by Donald Ross while the back-nine were designed by Gary Player. Come play a round or two and compare the two different design philosophies.

For the lover of nature and natural habitat, no trip to Anson County would be complete without an exploration of the Pee Dee National Wildlife Refuge. There is in excess of 8,000 acres of natural habitat for nearly all things wild in North Carolina. The refuge supports an abundance of nesting neotropical migratory birds, bobwhite quail, wild turkey and white-tail deer.

Get back to the way food was supposed to taste by visiting one or two of our roadside produce stands that dot the highways. You'll know it is fresh because you got it right from the grower. Or gorge yourself on fresh *homemade* peach ice cream at Pee Dee Orchards or Peaches 'n Cream which bracket Wadesboro on the east and west along Highway 74.



If you have an interest in fishing, Anson County affords the avid fisherman with some of the best fishing in the Carolinas. Flathead and blue channel catfish, largemouth bass, bream and crappie are in abundance on Blewett Falls Lake. Saltwater American and hickory shad, saltwater striped bass and mullet are found in the Pee Dee River just below Blewett Falls Dam. (The saltwater fish swim up the Pee Dee River in the spring to spawn.)

Some of North Carolina's greatest treasures can be found off the beaten path. Listen to the crickets chirp on a warm summer evening. Watch a bald eagle soar across the morning sky. Take a lazy canoe trip down the great Pee Dee River. In Anson County, you can find all that ... and more. Come. Visit. Surround yourself with the beauty of North Carolina's best kept secret.