CRD hosted CoastFest on Saturday, April 22, at Mary Ross Waterfront Park in Brunswick. Returning in-person for the first time since 2019, the event drew about 6,000 people. CRD hosted a “Coastal Experience” pavilion that showcased our mission and programs, along with 40 other exhibitors who represented nonprofits, other government agencies, and conservation-minded groups. CoastFest featured live programs with wildlife, a climbing wall, archery, the Georgia Agricultural mobile classroom, black powder demonstrations from State Parks and Historic Sites Division, and more. The Georgia Natural Resources Foundation provided funding for the “Hawg Trough” giant aquarium, and Friends of Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites generously provided funds for lunch for all DNR staff.