



Bird Fest Update

The snow may still be on the mountains surrounding Leavenworth, but already the smell of spring is in the air and the excitement surrounding the return of migrating birds is mounting! Registration for the Leavenworth Spring Bird Festival began in February and many trips and the keynote with David Allen Sibley are sold out. However, the festival has really spread its wings to offer opportunities to enjoy a celebration of springtime through a diverse selection of activities thanks to the amazing talents of local birders and artists.



Singing Song Sparrow
by Janet Bauer, Winthrop

Bird-related fun is still available as many festival offerings do not require registration. Magnificent Migrations, bird and naturalist tour can be found at the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery

Friday and Saturday May 18 and 19. The Sleeping Lady Walk is Saturday morning with Upper Basin Birders Heather and Pat Murphy. Saturday from 10 to 2 is Family Discovery Day at Bird Fest Central! Join the festival for kid-friendly nature and art activities, on the hour guided walks, a live bird show, raffle and live music by the Scenic Route! As a special treat, NCW Audubon Society is hosting the National Audubon Society's traveling collection of the breathtaking, winning bird photos from their annual contest on Saturday and Sunday.

In addition, Bird Fest is proud to be a supporter of local artists and excited to share the Leavenworth Spring Bird Fest Art Exhibition, hosted by Icicle Creek Center for the Arts opening April 27 and running through May 20. This juried exhibition on display at Snowy Owl Theater offers a wonderful array of talents from the four county area of North Central Washington as they explore "Pacific Northwest Birds and their Habitats." A reception for the show will be held Thursday, May 17 from 5 pm to 7 pm. Friday, May 18 is the perfect time to get out and enjoy the Marlin Hand Bell Ringers and their beloved springtime tradition - the Song Bird Concert. This concert is

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free and open to everyone and is also at Snowy Owl.

Bird Fest is unique not only for its dedicated and talented supporters, but also for its unparalleled location and diversity of bird habitats and species. Folks can always enjoy the wonderful Chelan Douglas Land Trust eBird route on Mountain Home, or the Wenatchee River Institute eBird route at Barn Beach. Self-guided exploration is easy with tips from the website, www.LeavenworthSpringBirdFest.org or pick up information and a birding checklist at Bird Fest Central May 17 through 20. Bird Fest Central can be found at 347 Division Street, Leavenworth.

For festival schedule and updated information go to www.LeavenworthSpringBirdFest.org or the Leavenworth Spring Bird Fest Facebook page. Happy Birding!



Common Mergansers
by Peter Bauer, Winthrop

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Red-tailed Hawk
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North Central Washington Audubon Society is governed by a board of directors that includes four officers and several chairs. You can see everyone's name and contact info in the box to the left. Currently there are fourteen of the possible fifteen director positions filled. The board meets most months via conference call and two or three times a year in person, generally in Chelan. Being so far flung – the directors currently represent three counties of our four-county region, we chose Chelan as a centrally located meeting spot.

We have three active committees – Education and Outreach, Field Trips and Conservation. In the future the committee chairs will have articles describing what they do and how you can help. If you ever have any questions regarding NCWAS, or would like to get involved, please get in touch with one of us.

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The calendar says it is Spring, but the weather says something different. Today, there was an inch of new snow after yesterday's all-day rain. Tomorrow it should be sunny. That's March for you.

The birds at our feeder won't help you figure out the season either. An enormous flock of Common Redpolls eats all the thistle seed everyday while the Red-winged Blackbirds consume all the sunflower seed. It keeps me busy. They are joined by a Spotted Towhee, occasional Mourning Doves, Northern Flickers and Hairy Woodpeckers. Since the redpolls arrived back in December, there have not been any Pine Siskins, American Goldfinches or House Finches. Will they return in droves when the redpolls go north? Our first Say's Phoebe arrived on March 6 which is later than average over the last ten years.

Earlier this week I took a drive to the Timentwa Flats area of eastern Okanogan County. I've often seen Sandhill Cranes there this time of year. It was different on Tuesday. All the water was still frozen and the ground was snow-covered. I did see Rough-legged Hawks, Snow Buntings, Mountain Bluebirds and two Killdeer on the ice. The Cameron Lake Road got progressively muddier as I continued north. It was to the point where I had to have four-wheel drive, so I turned around and went south to the Columbia where I did find a few cranes on Washburn Island. Cranes are a sure sign of Spring. If you are out searching for cranes or maybe some dallying



Common Redpoll
by Teri J Pieper, Methow Valley

Snowy Owls on the Waterville Plateau, be careful and watch out for soft, muddy roads. It could be a long day if you get stuck.

I read a local account by some reputable birders who observed a Clark's Nutcracker catch and carry off a vole this winter. Our yard and garden were devastated by voles this winter and last fall. I'd appreciate a helpful nutcracker to take some of these voles off our hands. We have heard a Great Horned Owl occasionally over the last few months, but it doesn't seem to be catching very many voles. If you have suggestions regarding vole elimination that do not involve outside cats or poison, I'd appreciate them.



Sandhill Cranes on Washburn Island
by Teri J Pieper, Methow Valley

NCW Recent Bird Sightings

Chelan: A Peregrine Falcon was reported above Beebe Springs. Wood Ducks were reported on a lake near Wenatchee. A Northern Goshawk was reported in Nahahum Canyon. A Sagebrush Sparrow was seen on Burch Mountain. A Ruffed Grouse was drumming on the Stormy Preserve.

Douglas: A Gyrfalcon and some Gray Partridges were seen near Leahy Junction. Snowy Owls continued to be seen most of the month north and east of Mansfield along with a Prairie Falcon, Common Redpolls, Rough-legged Hawks and Snow Buntings. Violet-green Swallows, Wood Ducks and Western Bluebirds were reported on the Bridgeport Bar in mid-March. A Grasshopper Sparrow was reported east

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of Mansfield along with a Gyrfalcon. Migrating waterfowl including hundreds of Northern Pintails are enjoying the meltwater on the Waterville Plateau.

Okanogan: American Tree Sparrows and a Northern Goshawk were reported in the Okanogan Highlands. In addition to the Northern Saw-whet Owls that have been around for months, a Long-eared Owl was reported at Bridgeport State Park. Yellow-rumped Warblers, a Ruby-crowned Kinglet and a Brown Creeper were also seen at the park. Western Meadowlarks arrived and began to sing in the Methow before the middle of March. Yellow-headed Blackbirds, Marsh Wrens and Sandhill Cranes were reported at Washburn Island.

Spring Birding Opportunities at Beebe Springs

by Virginia Palumbo, Chelan

Beebe Springs Birding Walk - Saturday, May 12, 7:30 to 10:00. This is a lively time at Beebe Springs Natural Area, with possibly Bullock's Orioles, Western Tanagers, Yellow Warblers, Warbling Vireos, Canyon Wrens, Osprey, Spotted Sandpipers and others! Beebe Springs is just north of Beebe Bridge on Hwy 97A; parking requires a Discover Pass. The walk is an easy 1 1/2 to 2 miles on gravel paths, for beginners to advanced birders. Please contact Virginia Palumbo to reserve a spot at vwpalumbo@gmail.com or 682-5969. Limit 10.

Beebe Springs re-opened in March, and the **Citizen Science Bird Surveys** have resumed on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Come for a leisurely 1 1/2 mile walk to see spring migrants, waterfowl and riparian/wetlands species. Contact Virginia at vwpalumbo@gmail.com for start times and details.

Era of Megafires A Highland Wonders Event

by Julie Vanderwal, Okanogan Highlands
and Andy Dappen, Wenatchee

Okanogan Highlands Alliance (OHA), North 40 Productions, and the US Forest Service (along with additional supporting partners) are pleased to bring The Era of Megafires to Tonasket as part of the Highland Wonders educational series. The Era of Megafires is a 60-minute, multimedia presentation featuring Dr. Paul Hessburg, a research landscape ecologist with the US Forest Service Pacific Northwest (PNW) Research Station. In this multi-media presentation, Hessburg explains that over the past decade, the number of large, severe wildfires has been on the rise. These megafires are wildfires that burn more than 100,000 acres; they can destroy or severely damage human communities, wildlife habitat, and natural resources. This special presentation conveys the conditions that lead to megafires and how they might be managed or mitigated.

Hessburg's work has been published extensively in leading scientific journals over the past 30 years, but recently he's felt a tug to take his findings public. The impetus stems from how favorite forests near his home in Central Washington had been ravaged by large and atypical wildfires. One of those fires, The Carlton Complex Fire, became the biggest megafire

(one larger than 100,000 acres) in state history when it burned 256,000 acres and destroyed 322 homes. A year later in 2015, his hometown of Wenatchee lost 30 upscale homes and several warehouses in the Sleepy Hollow Fire. The narrative draws from Hessburg's research over recent decades, explores the use of several tools, and discusses the trade-off between wild and prescribed fire smoke.

"A future without wildfire isn't an option," Hessburg says. "So, what kind of future do we want for our forests? The goal of this project is to share a vocabulary and increase the understanding and ability of ordinary citizens so that they can enter into local discussions and planning for a more certain future for our forestlands."

When: Friday, April 6. 5:00 pm: Dinner benefiting the Community Cultural Center (CCC). 6:00 pm: Reception with tea, coffee, and desserts, 6:30 pm: Presentation. Program is free; dinner is \$8 for CCC members and \$9 for non-members; hot drinks and desserts by donation (benefit for the CCC). At the Community Cultural Center of Tonasket, 411 S Western Ave

Spring Nature Walks in the Methow

by Mary Kiesau, Methow Conservancy

Join Mary Kiesau, the Methow Conservancy's Educational Programs Director, on a casual natural history "walk and talk" to see and learn what is happening in the natural world of the Methow. We'll look for and discuss birds and plants on all the walks but generally the morning walks focus on birds and the afternoon walks focus on flowers. These outings are perfect for people of all ages and levels of knowledge - no experience required! Children who can walk on uneven ground for two plus hours are welcome to attend with a chaperone. We'll go to a different location on each walk, and the days and times change to attempt to accommodate a variety of schedules. Mary will email attendees about five days before each walk with where to meet. These mini-classes are free but space is limited so registration is required. Contact us for more details or to reserve your spot at mary@methowconservancy.org or 996-2870. No dogs please.

Friday, March 30, 4:00-5:30 pm

We'll have a "Good Friday" with this afternoon flower walk.

Wednesday, April 11, 4:30-6:30 pm

Spring will surely be here by now and we'll go for a longer flower walk in the south valley.

Thursday, April 19, 8:30-10:30 am

Our first official bird walk of the season! Bring your binoculars for sure.

Thursday, April 26, 5:00-7:00 pm

It's Native Plant Appreciation Week and it's staying light longer. Join us for an after-work flower walk.

Tuesday May 1, 8:00-10:00 am

It's May Day and may the birds be out and about singing for this morning bird walk.

Stay tuned for more dates through May and early June!

Getting to Know Your Board Members - Bruce McCammon

by Penny Tobiska, Wenatchee

Bruce McCammon and his wife Dianne moved to the Wenatchee area a few years ago and quickly became involved in the community. We are so happy to have him as part of the NCWAS Board of Directors and an active member of the Education and Outreach Committee.

Tell us a little about your background and how you came to be interested in the natural world.

I began working at a Colorado ski area when I was in junior high school. Seven years of working around snow led me to major in forest hydrology in college. I started working as a hydrologist for the US Forest Service after graduation. I've worked in Forest Service research in Colorado and on four National Forests in California and Oregon. I finished my career working as Regional Hydrologist with responsibility for the watershed management programs on the nineteen National Forests in Oregon and Washington. My career gave me access to a wide variety of public lands. Developing a keen interest in natural resources was a natural outcome.

I've carried a camera since I was a kid. I started a wedding and high school senior photography business after I retired. I left that after nine years and became a bird photographer. That provides tremendous technical challenges and lets me be outdoors once again.

Tell us about your inspiration to create the poster *Common Birds of North Central Washington* and the process of bringing it to publication.

The *Common Birds of North Central Washington* poster was created after a lunchtime conversation with Mark Oswood during a What's That Bird event in Wenatchee. Mark lamented about the lack of a good ID poster that showed only local

birds. Other posters showed many birds that aren't seen in our area, cost too much or were no longer available to him for use at NCW Audubon events. I developed a way to turn my photographs into a type of illustration using Photoshop and other commercial software. A series of trials to size and group the birds on the page led to the first printing in 2017. We're now on version eight, and about 1000 of the posters have been given out locally. Wild Birds Unlimited of Wenatchee owner, Patrick Bodell, is printing copies for handouts at his store. I recently made two other versions of the poster showing Upland Birds and Wading/Shorebirds for the McNary National Wildlife Refuge in the Tri-Cities area. I'm really pleased to see my photographs used in such a popular way.

Tell us some of the most memorable bird photos or birding experiences you have had.

Without a doubt, watching thousands of Snow Geese and Sandhill Cranes lift off a pond at sunrise at the Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge was the most memorable bird experience I've had. That moment inspired me to learn more about birds and clearly showed me that I had a lot to learn about bird photography. That was in 2004, and I'm still learning about birds and photography.

In addition to photography and birding, what are some of your other interests?

We moved to Wenatchee for its outdoor activities and to be midway between our two sons and grandkids. We hike and walk on

a regular basis. Foreign travels have taken us to eight countries including India and Iceland. This year we will visit Ireland and Scotland. We've met a lot of interesting people in North Central Washington who have introduced us to new activities and areas to explore.



Bruce McCammon in the field photo provided

Nature Journaling Classes in the Methow Valley

by Mary Kiesau, Methow Conservancy

The Methow Conservancy's Mary Kiesau and Twisp artist and teacher Perri Howard are teaming up to offer another round of nature journaling classes. The spring series is titled "Nature Drawing Near and Far," Each class will combine both close-up and distance drawing. Each class will begin with about an hour walking in and exploring the outdoors with a casual naturalist lesson with Mary. Then we'll transition to drawing practice with Perri, either outside (if the weather is nice) or in Perri's studio at TwispWorks. All materials, including pens, pencils, and paper will be included, but feel free to bring your own materials if you'd like. No experience is necessary. Themed classes will be Friday afternoons, 12:30 pm-5:00 pm - April 6: Mountains, Clouds & Rivers, April 20: Leaves & Trees, May 4: Spring Flowers, and May 25: Songbirds. Classes are \$65 each or \$240 for the whole series. Space is limited to ten people per class. Details will be sent before each class with where to meet. Contact Mary at 996-2870 or mary@methowconservancy.org for more details or to register.

Citizen Science Projects in Wenatchee and Leavenworth

by Hillary Clark, CDLT

Chelan Douglas Land Trust (CDLT) is recruiting volunteers to help with two monthly bird monitoring projects.

Would you like to spend a weekday morning hiking, viewing wildlife, wildflowers, and snow-capped mountains, while being part of a small team collecting bird species data? Citizen Science Projects are collaborations between scientists and volunteers that expand opportunities for scientific data collection and help answer real-world questions. Learn more about becoming a CDLT citizen scientist volunteer by contacting Conservation Fellow, Susan Ballinger at susan@cdlandtrust.org or call 667-9708. Please note: contact Susan by cell phone 24-hours ahead at 669-7820 to confirm, because changing weather conditions can result in cancelling the route.

Mountain Home Preserve eBird Monitoring Project is happening prior to the thinning project that will restore a pre-settlement open ponderosa pine forest. Meet at 6 am at the Safeway store in Leavenworth, or Susan will pick up carpoolers in Wenatchee at 5:30 am at the Penny Road Park and Ride. We will walk a 2.2-mile route, stopping at five points to conduct ten-minute counts. Upcoming Dates: April 19, May 17, June 28, July 19, August 30, September 27, October 18, November 15.

Horse Lake Reserve eBird Monitoring Project: Meet at 6 am at the end of the pavement on Horse Lake Road to carpool up the gravel road. We will walk a five-mile route, stopping at seven points to conduct ten-minute counts. All data will be entered into eBird. Our goal is to learn about bird use within the variety of habitats that include areas burned in the 2015 wildfire. Upcoming Dates: April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, August 16, September 20, October 11, November 8.

Upper Valley Nature Walk at Leavenworth Ski Hill

by Hillary Clark, CDLT

Tuesday April 17, 2:00 to 5:00 pm

Join Connie McCauley to explore the Ski Hill area, looking at wildflowers, birds, and wildlife. Depending upon interest and conditions, participants will explore both ski trails and newly constructed mountain bike trails during this two to three-hour walk. Connie has explored these hills for forty years and enjoys sharing her local knowledge with all ages and backgrounds. Meet at the Ski Hill Parking lot on 10701 Ski Hill Drive in Leavenworth. RSVP appreciated. Contact Hillary at 667-9708 or hillary@cdlandtrust.org.

This is a joint event made possible by a partnership between CDLT and the Washington Native Plant Society.

Native Plant Society Walks

by Molly Boyter, Wenatchee

Sam Hill Wildflower Walk, Saturday, April 21

Don't miss this! See the wildflowers at the Land Trust's Sam Hill property, just inside Icicle Canyon near Leavenworth. This property is unique and hosts a variety of beautiful and interesting plants. Join CDLT board member Jack Mynatt and Washington Native Plant Society Members Don and Ann Schaechtel. This is a joint Washington Native Plant Society and Land Trust event. Even though the mileage is short, the terrain is rugged. Wear hiking boots, bring water and snacks, and dress for the weather. There will be a twelve-person limit for this outing. Meeting location and directions will be emailed to participants prior to the event. This hike is open to Land Trust and Native Plant Society Members. Please call 667-9708 or email hillary@cdlandtrust.org to register.

Wildflower Hike at Jacobson Preserve, Thursday, April 26

Celebrate the beauty of springtime during Native Plant Appreciation Week! Join us for a weeknight wildflower walk at Jacobson Preserve, led by Wenatchee Naturalist and CDLT Membership & Education Coordinator Hillary Clark. We will explore what's blooming and learn about what we can do to encourage native plants in our area. This is a joint Wenatchee Valley Native Plant Society and CDLT event. It will go from 5:30 to 7 pm. Please RSVP online, or call or email Hillary with any questions (hillary@cdlandtrust.org, 667-9708).

Quincy Area Wildflower Walk, Friday, April 27

A chance to explore the spring bloomers at either the Beezley Hills or Babcock Bench. The final location will be decided prior to the trip based on the best blooms. We will explore early blooms in the shallow lithosols mixed in with deep-soiled sagebrush biscuits near Quincy. Meet at the East Wenatchee Park and Ride at 10:00 am to carpool. We can pick up additional folks at the rest area west of Quincy. To join this trip, contact Molly Boyter at mboyter@blm.gov or 665-2137.

Lower Crab Creek and Sentinel Dunes Exploration, May 4

Please note, a Discover Pass or Vehicle Access Pass is required for the first half of this trip. We will spend the first half of the trip with Nick Bechtold, Assistant Manager of WDFW's Columbia Basin Wildlife Area, along lower Crab Creek which is east of Beverly. Nick will tell us about how the agency manages the Wildlife Area, the important riparian habitats in Lower Crab Creek, and the challenges of managing wildlife habitat within a large federal irrigation project. After lunch we will drive around to the western end of the Saddle Mountains to the Sentinel Gap dunes. On our sandy hike we will see sand-loving species such as white sand verbena (*Abronia mellifera*), and lots of pale evening-primrose (*Oenothera pallida*). Meet at the East Wenatchee Park and Ride at 8:00 am to carpool. We can pick up additional folks at the Sand Hollow Recreation Area on highway 243. To join this trip, contact Molly Boyter at mboyter@blm.gov or 665-2137.

Whoopers Over the Columbia: A Great Sighting Can Take Years to Confirm

by Don McIvor, Methow Valley

Each spring for the past few years I've had the opportunity to teach an ornithology class through Wenatchee Valley College — Omak. We spend our day in the field and the class is always popular, so I have twenty students to try to herd and keep focused. When we get to the end of our walking route I announce "Okay, let's head back to the vans." I quickly learn who my committed students are — they stroll leisurely back to the vans, looking for more birds. Most of my students bolt like horses headed for the barn, although it means standing around the locked van until I make my way back. On April 8, 2016, such was the scene at Cassimer Bar on the Columbia River.

As the group fled back to the vans, four of us lingered in the rear to continue birding. We heard a flock of cranes approaching and looked up to wait for them to cross the opening in the trees above our heads. The flock did indeed break the clearing above us, flying fairly low, probably less than 100 feet above the ground. The flock had already assumed a V formation, and as I watched them cross, I recognized that the second and third birds behind the leader were not Sandhill Cranes.

I was stunned. My eyes told me one thing, but my brain was telling me it can't be and was already scrambling for logical explanations. I had already dismissed American White Pelicans as an option, the closest possibility by size and coloration. The color pattern wasn't quite right, the pelican bill would have been clearly visible but wasn't, and pelicans don't migrate with cranes. Their flight rates and patterns are completely

incompatible, like a skate board trying to commute with a BMW. I was trying to figure out if I should even say anything when two of my students put down their binoculars, turned to me and said, "What were the two white birds with black wing tips? They were bigger than the other cranes." By this second class meeting, they knew the birder's mantra: look for differences.

I have seen a lot of Sandhill Cranes. I spent two years earning a Masters Degree studying the species. I have also seen a few Whooping Cranes. I'm pretty confident I can tell them apart, but there was a piece of this puzzle that was missing, and until I could find that piece, I was unwilling to acknowledge what my eyes assured me was true.

In 2016 there were about 375 whooping cranes in the wild, making it one of the rarest birds in North America. The only migratory flock breeds in Wood Buffalo National Park in north-central Canada and migrates to Aransas National Wildlife Refuge in southeast Texas to over-winter. With a population that small, wildlife managers and conservationists are aware of every individual bird. The question haunting me was "Where did those birds come from?" They should be from a known location, a known population.

A concerted effort to conserve these endangered birds has been on-going for decades. To develop new populations, Whooping Cranes have been cross-fostered by Sandhill Cranes at Grays Lake NWR (Idaho) and Bosque del Apache NWR (New Mexico). Those efforts failed for interesting reasons — a flight for another time. I saw one of the

last birds alive at Greys Lake in 1991. The Bosque del Apache birds also died out decades ago.

I could not find a single record in eBird that I could link to these specific birds. And since I could not find a likely source population, I explained to my students that I just didn't feel comfortable saying that we had seen Whooping Cranes at Cassimer Bar.

In late March of this year I had the good fortune to have dinner with Dr. George Archibald, co-founder of the International Crane Foundation. I couldn't resist the opportunity to get his take on the Cassimer Bar experience. He didn't so much as raise an eyebrow or even look moderately surprised.

"Oh yeah," he said. "Those were Whooping Cranes."

Time for the critical question.

"Where did they come from?" I asked.

He explained that the two birds over Cassimer Bar would have been juveniles from the Aransas—Wood Buffalo population. The juveniles are known to disperse, sometimes widely, for their first return trip back north. These birds join up with Sandhill Cranes to make part of their journey, flocking up to improve the efficiency of long distance migration. Somewhere well to the north of us, some ancient piece of hard-wiring told them to split away from our Alaska-bound cranes and head northeast.

Problem solved. Almost two years after the event, I wrote to my good students. Put it on your life list. And count yourself lucky.

Sandhill Cranes
by Teri J Pieper, Methow Valley



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