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San Diego Bird Festival Camp Surfbird Scholarship

Camp Surfbird is a new, unique overnight camp experience specifically for youths ages 13-17 to enjoy the San Diego Bird Festival to the fullest. The 2024 San Diego Bird Festival will take place February 21-25. Working together, the San Diego Audubon Society and the American Birding Association (ABA) planned an unforgettable weekend for young birders to gather and explore the region with like-minded peers. Campers will be participating in chaperoned festival activities and experiences just for them. Base camp is located at the YMCA Camp Surf in Imperial Beach CA.

Palomar Audubon Society made available two Scholarships to attend Camp Surfbird. PAS advertised the scholarship offers on the San Diego Bird Festival website as well as our own PAS website. We received applications from five teenagers. The PAS Board members then selected two young birders who reside in Vista, CA. They are twins Juliet Cruz Pierce and Charlotte Cruz Pierce, age 13. Juliet enjoys being in nature, including birding, and learning about conservation. Charlotte has become an avid birder since the pandemic times, with backyard birding. The girls both say that this camp experience will sharpen and expand their birding skills and knowledge, while meeting other kids in their age group with similar interests.

Congratulations, Juliet and Charlotte!



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CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

RECAP by KEN WEAVER

The Escondido Christmas bird count offered something none of the other five counts in San Diego County provided — rain, lots of rain. Okay, so it wasn't ideal, but we shared memorable experiences such as the thrill of finally finding that little songbird through the raindrops on our binoculars or the excitement of watching a few

soggy crows while waiting for the downpour to end. Still, all 28 teams with 81 observers made it into the field and recorded 140 species and nearly 19,000 individual birds. I would call that a success. The poor weather, as expected, suppressed songbird activity. Curiously, water bird numbers were also low. Who knew that ducks don't like water? Fortunately, we noted most of the expected raptors.

Rare birds. Generally, I list the top 10 rarities noted on a count (based on fewer than 10 previous records). But this year rarities were just plain rare. So I'm going with the top 5.

Western Flycatcher (5 previous CBCs). One little *Empidonax* flycatcher that really should be south of the border showed up at Lake Wohlford.

Red-breasted Nuthatch (5 previous CBCs). These little birds with the funny tooting voices invaded San Diego County in the fall, so it wasn't really unexpected. Five teams found a total of 11 nuthatches widely scattered across the count circle.

White-winged Dove (7 previous CBCs). These "desert-dwellers" are appearing repeatedly in Ramona with two near Black Canyon Road and six near the Ramona Airport.

Least Bittern (8 previous CBCs). This bird is probably resident in the count circle, but is very elusive. One was present at Dixon Lake.

Green-tailed Towhee (8 previous CBCs). Most of these towhees winter south of the border, but one showed up in the Black Canyon area.

Other not-so-common birds observed. More erratic or local species that teams recorded with more than 10 but fewer than 20 previous records include Greater White-fronted Goose (1 near the Ramona Airport), Eurasian Wigeon (1 at the Woods Valley Campground), Wilson's Snipe (2 at Lake Wohlford), Gray Flycatcher (1 at Kit Carson Park), and Vermilion Flycatcher (2 at Rangeland Road).

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A BIRD'S EYE VIEW

Doug Walkley, President

PAS is on a roll. Your Directors are working hard on so many projects it will make your head spin. To keep you informed of most of the activities which Directors and others are involved with, here, in alphabetical order, is what's going on:

Band Tales Editor: Arne Christiansen, after so many years of prodding, producing and editing Band Tales, is stepping down. Jack Peterson has stepped up in an attempt to fill his overly large shoes. It's been lookin' great, hasn't it?!

Band Tales Mailing: Jan Behrhorst, our quiet, invisible chair, somehow manages, year after year, to label the printed Band Tales and see they get mailed to our two hundred eligible PAS members.

Communications: Jeff Ebright keeps us alive. This day and age, electronic communications are key and vital to our existence. Jeff fields questions and fills needs any and every day. Tasks may be to include this Band Tale issue on the website; maintaining a data base of all our members; setting up a means to communicate with each member through "io" emails.... The list goes on forever. And there's Jeff, calmly fulfilling our needs.



Education: Linda Baade solicited the world and found a pair of twins from Vista to attend San Diego Audubon's first annual Surfbird Camp. They are novice but enthusiastic birders whom PAS will sponsor. Amazing how hard it is to give away a thousand dollars or so for a fun, educational activity. At the same time, Linda, has made arrangements for a birding class for our members and for anyone else that has an interest. It is divided into three different courses, for people at three different knowledge levels.

eBird Records and Reports: Steve Ellis has a job on his hands. Going back just a couple of years, we would all sit around a picnic table pencil in hand and recount the birds we saw during our morning walk. Then eBird came along and everybody wanted to keep track of what they saw and where they have seen it. In came Steve, who, with cellphone in hand, records all this and provides us with a link to download to our own eBird list. Steve is also there with other helpful tips and resources.

Field Trips: Jim Beckman year after year has arranged on Saturdays for us to visit interesting birding venues. Post-covid the turnout to these has been impressive. PAS is the only society in the County that offers such regular extensive field trips.

Finance: Rustom Jamadar with new insights and point of view, has come up with several good ideas relative to many areas including how to make our

Scholarships more affordable and, consequently, to increase our ability to extend our scholarships to others.

Lake Hodges: Tracy Henschbarger is our eyes and ears on the "*The Friends of Lake Hodges*" board, an organization dedicated to enhancing the bird life and environment of Lake Hodges. Because the State has finally taken on the task to strengthen and improve the ancient dam on Lake Hodges, the lake levels have changed drastically making it difficult for birds such as Western and Clark's Grebes to survive. In comes Tracy and The Friends of Lake Hodges to do what they can to mitigate the effects.

Membership: Alice Holmes has steadfastly kept our members in line with reminders when dues should be paid. She also sends "welcome" letters to new members, a very busy job.

Programs: Jim Beckman again steps up and finds the most interesting inspiring guests who once a month bring us Birding from around the World through their presentations.

Projects: Tom Trowbridge is on the hunt. Tom wants to find projects that will enhance bird life. A successful project recently completed was "*the drip*". Sounds exciting doesn't it. Way up on Daley Ranch there were some thirsty birds. No water, no birds. Tom engineered a spicket which he connected to Daley Ranch water supply. On a hot day, you can see the birds patiently waiting their turn, species after species. Tom would very much like to replicate this project all over the county. Currently, he is working with CSU San Marcos to see if it is feasible to put something on Campus. This would be good for the birds, but also for the exposure students may get to birds and our Society.

Scholarships: Jim Beckman has a knack for finding truly bright intelligent enthusiastic young birders to attend a birding camp somewhere in North America. This year he found two extremely knowledgeable young birders. They will attend a birding camp in Colorado, although in different years, one in 2024 and the other in 2025.

Social: Cindy Rippee is now there to help out Sunny and Penny with the annual picnic and the Christmas Bird Count luncheon (which, by the way, PAS hosts for birders from all over San Diego County). Cindy provides snacks for our monthly meetings and sends out "thank you" letters to our generous donors.

Travel: Dianne Benham has outdone herself in providing many out-of-town trips. Her trips are almost immediately filled. We wish we could accept everyone who has expressed an interest. The birding experience, however, is minimized with too many people. The guide just can't get everyone on the bird, and that is his job. Consequently, there are enrollment limits. Nonetheless, many lucky birders have recently gone to Arizona, Morro Bay, Salton Sea, Idyllwild, New Mexico, and last but surely not least, Ohio. Upcoming trips include Minnesota (brr, in the middle of winter!), Eastern Sierras and Texas.

Of course, there are other hard workers in the

background, like Penny Hernandez taking minutes and Sunny Christiansen, our Treasurer, cutting checks, depositing donations and memberships (these two, if you didn't know, already are the backbone of your society). The annual picnic and the Christmas Bird Count Lunch would never have happened without them. I cannot close without thanks to several other Directors who at the meetings have contributed valuable ideas that have already been implemented or are to be utilized in the future. Thank you all for the valuable work you do for Palomar Audubon.

CONSERVATION NOTES

Trysten Loeffke, Conservation Chair

I joined the Palomar Audubon Society in 2010. I had just turned eleven years old when I went on my first PAS Saturday field trip to Lake Hodges. Doug Nail was the president back then and he, along with our trusty Jim Beckman, took me under their wing and helped me to become the birder that I am today. I owe a lot to those two men. Now, fourteen years later, I have a bachelor's degree in zoology, I work for the San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance, and I am the Conservation Committee Chair for PAS. I can trace much of this back to those first pivotal years as a PAS member when, as a young kid, I was taken in and mentored by this community.



We talk a lot about the conservation of birds and other wildlife in this column, but what about the conservation of birding? The conservation of conservation, if you will. One definition of conservation includes "the act of preventing something from being lost." Birding, I would argue, is something that needs our conservation efforts, especially when it comes to passing it on to our younger generations. The work of wildlife conservation is of paramount importance today, but we must also be sure to conserve our birding community so that we will have conservationists in the future.

The conservation of birds has many mechanisms in place - habitat restoration, reserves, reintroductions, captive breeding programs, etc. What does the conservation of birding have? Mentoring is a big one. That's what I received from Doug Nail and Jim Beckman, as well as many others both inside PAS and out. The importance of a birding mentor figure is invaluable to propagating the prospective birders of the future. Our PAS scholarship program is another way that we, as an organization, are helping to conserve conservation. Through our scholarship program, young birders are able to attend birding camps, further develop their love of birding, and deepen their understanding of conservation. I, myself, was a recipient of these scholarships when I was a young

birder, as were several remarkable young birders who have also gone on to work in conservation. We have another wonderful young person on the slate to go this year, and this, I am sure, will be a formative experience in their birding and conservation career.

Why do we as an organization spend funds on our scholarship program? Because that is how we support the conservation of conservation. That is how we help to build the birders of the future, and you can do the same. My challenge to you this month is to look for ways that you can personally help the conservation of birding. Maybe that means introducing birding to a young person you know, being a mentor figure to a young birder, or even just buying a book about birds for a child in your life (I received one such book called *1000 Facts on Birds* from my grandmother for my fifth birthday, and it was a big influence in getting me interested in birds, birding, and conservation.) Whatever form it takes, I would encourage you to help grow the next generation of birders and, in turn, you will be helping to secure the future of wildlife.

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Missing in action. In view of the weather, it's no real surprise that several species didn't show that usually occur locally or in low numbers within the count circle. Examples include Greater Yellowlegs, Least Sandpiper, Osprey, Barn Owl, Red-breasted Sapsucker, Marsh Wren, Scott's Oriole, and American Goldfinch.

New to the count. No new birds this count. Our total species recorded on all CBCs remains at 236 species.

Low counts/high counts. Six species that regularly occur in double or even triple digits hit all-time lows: Killdeer, Snowy Egret, Black-crowned Night-Heron, Northern Pintail, House Finch, and Dark-eyed Junco. Two species hit all-time highs: Red-breasted Nuthatch and Chipping Sparrow. 183 Chipping Sparrows graced our count circle.

Any trends? Of course one rainy count doesn't really provide a good clue as to the ups and downs of bird populations, but overall we do see a long-term decline in numbers and variety of water birds as well as lower numbers of "shrub birds" and flocking songbirds such as blackbirds. Shifting winter ranges and habitat loss due to drought and wildfires are likely causes. One bright note, the seven Northern Harriers recorded by five teams is the highest in many years.

CBC trivia. Which bird was both the most numerous on the count and the only species recorded by every team? Yellow-rumped Warbler. How many species were only recorded by a single team? Twenty-three. How many species were represented by a single individual? Twelve. What was the strangest bird observed on the count? That prize probably goes to a goose noted by the Ramona Airport team that has features of both Snow and White-fronted geese!

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FIELD TRIPS

Jim Beckman

Whether a seasoned birder or a beginner, you are welcome to join us. Our field trips are free and open to the public. For more information call the trip leader shown below. Heavy rain at the meet-up location cancels trips. Locations in Thomas Guide Coordinates are shown in parenthesis as (Page-Column Row). Ratings: 1=easy, suitable for all levels, 2=moderate, a bit more walking and possibly some hilly terrain, 3=challenging, longer hikes, and may involve some steep terrain.

Saturday, March 2, 8:00 am.

Santee Lakes

Santee

(1231-A5) Rating: 2

From I-15 go east on Highway 52. Exit at Mast Boulevard. Continue east on Mast Boulevard. to Fanita Parkway. Turn right and continue south to the entrance to Santee Lakes on your right. Car entry fee is \$5.

OR from Mast Boulevard, turn left on Fanita Parkway, and continue north to Lake Canyon Drive. Turn right, park, and walk in the open gate for **FREE**. Meet in the parking lot by the General Store between lakes 4 & 5.

Leader: Tom Trowbridge

760-743-1052

Saturday, March 9, 8:00 am.

San Jacinto Wildlife Area

Riverside County

(RC 749-B4) Rating: 3

From San Diego County take I-15 north through Temecula and take the I-215. Continue north on the I-215. Exit at the Ramona Expressway right (east). Continue east to Lakeview (a small town). At the stoplight, turn left (north) on Davis Road. Proceed on the asphalt and rough gravel road for two miles to the SJWA headquarters parking lot on the right. From Escondido allow 75 minutes drive time. **Bring a lunch.** Always a PAS favorite!

Leader: Sally Sanderson

760-638-9913

Saturday, March 16, 8:00 am.

Batiquitos Lagoon

Carlsbad

(1127-A7) Rating: 1-2

From I-5 in Carlsbad, exit east on Poinsettia Lane. Turn right on Batiquitos Drive, drive about ½ mile to Gabbiano Lane, turn right and continue to the end. We will look for ducks, waterfowl, and riparian birds. **Expect warm weather.**

Leader: Beth Pearson

760-716-6804

Saturday, March 23, 8:00 am.

Old Mission Dam

San Diego

<http://www.mtrp.org/park.asp>

(1230-F6) Rating: 2

Take Highway 52 east to the Mast Boulevard. exit in

Santee. Turn north/east onto Mast Boulevard. and then right at the 1st traffic signal (West Hills Parkway). Take West Hills Parkway to Mission Gorge Road and turn right. Take Mission Gorge Road 0.2 miles and merge right onto Father Junipero Serra Trail. Proceed 0.7 miles down Father Juniper Serra Trail to the Old Mission Dam parking lot, located on the right. Arrive extra early to avoid parking on the street. This should be prime time for spring migrants. **Expect warm weather.**

Leader: Mary Jo Hayes

760-505-6675

Saturday, March 30., 8:00 am.

San Pasqual Agricultural Trail

Escondido

(1151-B1) Rating: 2

Meet at the Ysabel Creek Road trailhead at the intersection Ysabel Creek Road. & Bandy Canyon Road. This intersection can be reached from Highland Valley Road east off of Pomerado Road & I-15, or from Highway 78 east of the Wild Animal (Safari) Park. We hope to see local residents, which include Cactus Wren, Greater Roadrunner, and a few raptors, possibly the Zone-tailed Hawk. Bring a lunch for an after-birding picnic at the close-by SD Archaeological Center. Expect warm weather.

Leader: Jim Beckman

858-205-2819

Saturday, April 6, 8:00 am.

Tijuana Estuary & Slough

Imperial Beach

(1349-F1) Rating: 2

Travel south on I-5 from San Diego and exit west on Coronado Avenue, which becomes Imperial Beach Boulevard. Continue west and turn left on 3rd Street to Caspian Way, turn left again and then turn right into the Tijuana Estuary Visitor Center parking lot.

Leader: Gerry Baade

858-231-9876

Saturday, April 13, 8:00 am.

Dairy Mart Pond/Tijuana River Valley

San Diego

(1350 – D5) Rating: 2

From North County, take the I-15 south and merge with the I-5 south to the Dairy Mart Road Exit. Turn right on Dairy Mart Road (south). Continue a very short distance and meet at the dirt parking lot on your right (at the Camino De La Plaza intersection), and next to the large

“TJRV County Park” sign with the pond on the west side of Dairy Mart Road. We will also drive a short distance to the TJRV Park Headquarters (public restroom and bird feeders) and then visit the nearby Bird & Butterfly Garden where there is a chance of seeing the elusive Black-throated Magpie Jay.

Leader: Hal Benham

858-386-6911

Saturday, April 20, 8:30 am.

Big Morongo Canyon Preserve

Morongo Valley, San Bernardino County

<http://www.bigmorongo.org/>

(SB 616-J5) Rating: 1

From Escondido, proceed north on I-15 for approximately 36 miles to the I-15/I-215 split in Temecula. Change to I-215 north and continue north to Highway 60 east. Take Highway 60 east then continuing east on I-10 approximately 40 miles to Highway 62. Go north on Highway 62 about 12 miles to Morongo Valley (a small town). About a mile or two into town, look for signs for Big Morongo Canyon Preserve. Turn right (south) on East Drive, a dirt road, to the Preserve. The parking lot is just beyond the caretaker's house. Picnic tables and restrooms are available. In the caretaker's yard, several hummingbird and seed feeders will attract many birds for your enjoyment. This location is always a spring hot spot and a favorite PAS field trip.

Bring a lunch for an after birding picnic at the bird feeders. Allow 2 hours travel time from Escondido.

Leader: Gerry Baade

858-231-9876

Saturday, April 27, 8:00 am.

Wilderness Gardens Preserve

Pala

(409-E6) Rating: 2

From I-15 in Escondido, exit at El Norte Parkway and drive east approximately 3 miles. Look for the “Daley Ranch/Dixon Lake” signs and turn left on La Honda Drive. Continue north toward Dixon Lake and on to the **free** Daley Ranch parking area on your left. Meet at the trailhead kiosk.

Leader: Tom Trowbridge

858-205-2819

Saturday, May 4, 8:00 am.

Daley Ranch

Escondido

(1110-C3) Rating: 2-3

From I-15 in Escondido, exit at El Norte Parkway and drive east approximately 3 miles. Look for the “Daley Ranch/Dixon Lake” signs and turn left on La Honda Drive. Continue north toward Dixon Lake and on to the **free** Daley Ranch parking area on your left. Meet at the trailhead kiosk.

Leader: Tom Trowbridge

760-743-1052

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Thank you. Thanks certainly goes to all participants for contributing to a great bird list and for braving the elements. Thanks also go to Jim Beckman, Palomar Audubon's vice-president and field chair, for his help in recruiting volunteers, and to Penny Hernandez and Sunny Christiansen for organizing our lunch. We also owe a big thanks to the San Diego Safari Park Staff.

A great big **thank you** goes to Ken Weaver for organizing the Christmas Count every year and for his excellent reporting of the results.

PALOMAR AUDUBON SOCIETY WELCOMES THESE NEW AND RENEWING CHAPTER-ONLY MEMBERS

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Programs

Please join us for our interesting monthly program and refreshments at the Remington Club, 16916 Hierba Drive, Rancho Bernardo. There is a social period beginning at 6:30 pm with the meeting and program getting under way promptly at 7:00 pm.

Thursday, March 28 Dianne Benham "Birding South Africa"

Our three weeks in South Africa in September/October 2023 netted us close to 400 species of birds, plus all the BIG FIVE mammals, and many more! All in all, it was everything we had hoped for in this trip of a lifetime! This presentation will take you along on our trip, sharing with you not only some of the photos of the birds and animals that made this trip so special, but also the varied habitats where we birded and the accommodations and meals that we enjoyed. Hope you will join us!

Dianne and Hal Benham are long-time members of the Palomar Audubon Society.

Mark your calendars. Don't miss this one!

Thursday, April 25, 2024 Neil Solomon "Birds of Colombia"

Colombia is home to almost 20% of the world's bird species. That's about 1960 species. Eighty species are endemic. 50% of the Hummingbird species found in the Americas can be found in Colombia. With habitats ranging from the amazonian lowlands, to national parks with elevations of 13,000+ ft., the Colombian birds are literally everywhere. My trip took me to only the eastern, central, and western ranges of the Andes, so I offer only a glimpse of what can be seen. Still, I think you will be amazed by the diversity of this small sample.

This is Neil's 15th PAS Presentation. Neil has been photographing birds for 20+ years. His travels in search of birds to photograph, have taken him from Patagonia and the Falklands in the South, to Alaska and Arctic Norway in the North, and many locations between. His favorite shooting locations are probably the far North and Central/South America. The last few years he has been concentrating on photographing birds in flight. You can see his images on his website www.nsolomonphoto.com

Mark your calendars. Don't miss this interesting presentation!

13 Fun Facts about Owls

Unravel a bit of the mystery shrouding these amazing birds of prey.

Owls are intriguing birds that easily capture the attention and curiosity of birders. These facts may help clear up a bit of their mystery and reveal what a hoot owls really are.

Many owl species have asymmetrical ears. When located at different heights on the owl's head, their ears are able to pinpoint the location of sounds in multiple dimensions. Ready, aim, strike.

The eyes of an owl are not true "eyeballs." Their tube-shaped eyes are completely immobile, providing binocular vision which fully focuses on their prey and boosts depth perception.

Owls can rotate their necks 270 degrees. A blood-pooling system collects blood to power their brains and eyes when neck movement cuts off circulation.

A group of owls is called a parliament. This originates from C.S. Lewis' description of a meeting of owls in *The Chronicles of Narnia*.

Owls hunt other owls. **Great Horned Owls** are the top predator of the smaller Barred Owl.

The tiniest owl in the world is the **Elf Owl**, which is 5 - 6 inches tall and weighs about 1 ½ ounces. The largest North American owl, in appearance, is the Great Gray Owl, which is up to 32 inches tall.

The **Northern Hawk Owl** can detect—primarily by sight—a vole to eat up to a half a mile away.

In fat years when mice are plentiful, usually monogamous **Boreal Owls** are apt to be promiscuous. Because easy prey means less work for parents feeding their young, males have been caught mating with up to three females, while females have been seen with at least one beau on the side.

Barn Owls swallow their prey whole—skin, bones, and all—and they eat up to 1,000 mice each year.

Northern Saw-whet Owls can travel long distances over large bodies of water. One showed up 70 miles from shore near Montauk, New York.

Not all owls hoot! **Barn Owls** make hissing sounds, the Eastern Screech-Owl whinnies like a horse, and **Saw-whet Owls** sound like, well, an old

whetstone sharpening a saw. Hence the name.

Owls are zygodactyl, which means their feet have two forward-facing toes and two backward-facing toes. Unlike most other zygodactyl birds, however, owls can pivot one of their back toes forward to help them grip and walk.

To learn more about these fascinating creatures, [download the Audubon Bird Guide: Owls app now free on iTunes](#). This interactive guide to the 19 owl species of North America features both in-depth owl information and fun games and quizzes. Download it now.



Great Horned Owl



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Barn Owl



Barred Owl



Boreal Owl



Northern Hawk Owl

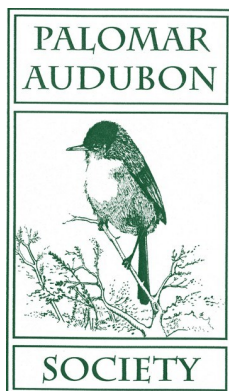


Northern Saw-whet Owl

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

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*Note: All Palomar Audubon Society members are welcome at
all Chapter Board meetings.*

QUICK CALENDAR

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April	6	Tijuana Estuary & Slough Walk
April	13	Dairy Mart Pond/Tijuana River Valley Walk
April	20	Big Morongo Canyon Preserve Walk
April	25	General Meeting: "Birds of Colombia"
April	27	Wilderness Gardens Preserve Walk
May	4	Daley Ranch Walk