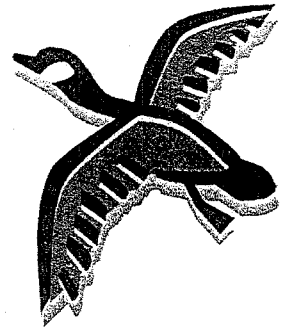


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UPCOMING HOY EVENTS

Thurs, July 10 at 7 PM

Note: This is the second Thursday in July.

“The Decline of Redheaded Woodpeckers”

Presented by Bill Mueller

River Bend Nature Center, 3600 N Green Bay Rd, Racine



The redheaded has declined approx 60 to 70% in Wisconsin since the 1930s, and about 55% across the US. Mr. Mueller will explain some of the reasons for this, including habitat loss. Bill Mueller has a masters' degree from the Univ of WI-Milwaukee. He is an independent researcher in ornithology, biogeography, and ecology. Refreshments will be served. We will plan for Ed Prins to show bird identification slides.

Thurs, August 7 at 5:30 PM

Annual Picnic

Flora and fauna hike afterward
Petrifying Springs County Park

This will be a wonderful event, and we hope all will attend. Bring a cup, a plate, flatware and a dish to pass. The Club will supply paper goods. Many wild flowers can be found in the vicinity. We will look for them before the mosquitoes get us.

Thursday, September 4 at 7 PM

to be announced

Paper Free Renewal Program

- There is a new option for renewing Audubon memberships, open to all Chapter members. Instead of receiving multiple renewal notices, members can now call 800/274-4201 and ask to sign up for Audubon's Paper Free Renewal Program. Starting in January of 2002, those who sign up will have their membership automatically renewed each year, and will simply receive one bill approximately two months in advance of their membership expiration date. Chapter generated members will continue to be credited as such, and of course, you can cancel at any time.

"Birds of Minnesota and Wisconsin"

For anyone anxious to explore the region's natural beauty and diversity, Birds of Minnesota and Wisconsin is an indispensable guide to take along on bird outings. Featuring full-color illustrations, useful information, and visual aids, the book brings 322 species of birds to life. For each species there is important information about habitat, nesting, feeding, voice, similar species, and viewing sites.

Authors Robert Janssen, Daryl Tessen, and Greg Kennedy are all veteran birders. Robert Janssen is a specialist in Minnesota birds, and the author of Birds in Minnesota. Daryl Tessen concentrates on bird life in his native Wisconsin, and has been actively involved with the Wisconsin Society for Ornithology for 45 years. Greg Kennedy has been an active naturalist since he was very young, and is the author of many books on natural history. Email: crojas@lonepinepublishing.com Phone: (800) 661-9017 x256 Fax: (800) 424-7173



Field Trip

Saturday August 9 at Bong St Rec Area and Wind Lake Sod Farms after that. We hope to see buff breasted and golden plovers, etc. For carpooling from Racine meet at Hwy 20 and 31 in the Hardees Parking lot. We will be leaving promptly at 7AM for Bong.

Weekly Field Trip

Wednesday mornings

Meet at 7 AM at Wind Point and Shoop Park in search of the rare and uncommon birds.

Federal Duck Stamp

Many of us are concerned about the disappearance of wetland and associated habitats, and now we can do something about it. The "migratory bird hunting and conservation stamp" is now available. It depicts two snow geese in flight, and 98 cents of every dollar goes to the National Wildlife Refuge System. Hunters, stamp collectors, birders and others will be buying these stamps, and at \$15 they also make great gifts. They are available at banks, post offices and Wal-Mart.

Wisconsin Wetlands Associations 2003 Purple Loosestrife and Phragmites Survey Needs Your Help!

Last year Wisconsin Wetlands Association, a Madison-based non-profit organization, surveyed 13 counties for one species, purple loosestrife. Volunteers found more than 600 infested areas that are now posted at www.glifwc-maps.org.

This year, thanks to continued funding from the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program and the American Transmission Company and new funding from the Great Lakes Protection Fund, We Energies Foundation, and Dairyland Power Cooperative, the program is growing.

WWA is offering training sessions in the coastal counties plus a couple dozen non-coastal counties. WWA will make a scripted training presentation available to local groups who want to train their members as a PowerPoint presentation or a slide show.

For more information on training dates near you please contact: Davina Halvorson, WWA Intern, (920) 465-3006, Davina@wiscwetlands.org or Derek Strohl, WWA, (608) 250-9971, Derek@wiscwetlands.org.

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Next Board Meeting

July 8 at 7 PM at the home of Joan Rohan.

All members are welcome to attend.

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