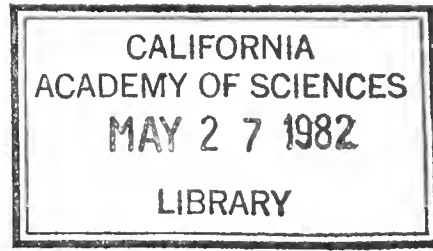


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GGAS Annual Dinner—a Potluck

It's at Stern Grove Club House this year at 19th Ave. and Sloat Blvd., San Francisco, on **Friday, June 18**. Dan Murphy has agreed to lead a bird walk. Meet at the Club House steps at 5:30 p.m. A happy hour begins at 6:30, dinner at 7:30. There will be a short business meeting and a program. It may be cold at Stern Grove after the sun sets, so you may want to bring a sweater.

Food assignments are: A-G main course, H-M dessert, N-S salad and T-Z snacks. Bring plates and utensils. GGAS will provide wine, lemonade, tea and coffee.

Directions: There is ample parking in two lots. Either drive in from the corner of 19th and Sloat or from Sloat go past 19th to Crestlake, right to Vale, then turn right into the parking lot. You may drive to the Club House, unload your food and then park if that is more convenient.

We hope to see you all there!

—PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Western Regional Conference

A number of interested members of GGAS attended the biennial National Audubon Western Regional Conference at Asilomar April 3-6. Central theme was "Protecting the Conservation Ethic." Speakers, workshops and films focused on today's primary environmental concerns, the foremost of which seems to be the attempt to protect the gains we have made over the past several decades from being eroded away by the current administration in Washington.

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Field Trips Calendar

See the May *Gull* for details on the following trip:

Friday-Sunday, June 4-6—Birding by Ear in Yosemite.

Wednesday, June 9—Mini-trip to Briones Regional Park. Meet at park at 9 a.m. Take Hwy. 24 east to the Orinda turnoff. Turn left and follow the San Pablo Dam Rd. about two miles to Bear Creek turnoff. Turn right and drive about two miles to Briones Regional Park entrance on right. Wildcat Canyon Dr. across Tilden Park from the top of Spruce St. in Berkeley will also take you to the Bear Creek Rd. We should see Northern Orioles, Lark Sparrows, Ash-throated Flycatchers and Lazuli Buntings. Leaders: Delpha deTimofeev and Ruth Voss (525-8032).

Saturday-Sunday, June 12-13—Yuba Pass and Vicinity. On Saturday meet at 9 a.m. at Wild Plum Campground. We will bird the mountain areas for summer residents including flycatchers, warblers and Calliope Hummingbirds. On Sunday meet at the intersection of Hwys. 49 and 89 at 7:30 a.m. We will caravan to Sierra Valley and see many of the birds of the eastern Sierra including Yellow-Headed Blackbird.

Take I-80 to Truckee, go north on Hwy. 89 to Sierraville and take Hwy. 49 west to Wild Plum Campground, about one-half mile from Sierra City. Or take Hwy. 49 northeast from Auburn. Camping is available at the Wild Plum and Chapman campgrounds on Hwy. 49 (U.S. Forest Service). Lodging is available at Sierra City: Sierra Chalet (916-862-1110), Buttes Motel (916-862-1170), Herrington's Sierra Pines (916-862-1151), Basset Station Motel (916-862-1297), Sierra Buttes Inn Motel (916-862-1191) and Yuba River Inn (916-862-1122). Leader: Peter Allen (981-7199). (✓)

Saturday, June 26—Land's End, San Francisco. Meet at 8 a.m. at the Palace of the Legion of Honor parking lot in Lincoln Park. From Geary St. go north (toward the Bay) on 34th Ave. to the top of the hill (through the golf course) and park in the large circular parking lot on the right. This trip will probably end around noon. Lunch is optional. We will hike about two miles to see common breeding birds of the San Francisco coast. This trip is appropriate for beginners. Leader: Jerry Scott (752-5835).

Friday-Sunday, June 25-27—Lassen Volcanic National Park. This is the annual GGAS family camping excursion. Join the Murphy family for a weekend of birding and hiking at Lassen. The more serious birders

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will meet on **Friday** and **Sunday** mornings by the store at Manzanita Lake Campground at **6:15 a.m.** We will spend two to three hours birding the lake and nearby area. After a quick breakfast we will meet again at **10:30 a.m.** at the store for a hike through some of Lassen's beautiful back country on Friday. We will bird along the park road on Sunday. This hike will be about three miles in length and leisurely paced for the convenience of small children and the leaders. On **Saturday**, we will meet at **7:15 a.m.** and caravan north to Burney Falls, Fall River Valley and Baum Lake. This will be an all-day excursion of about 100 miles. We are planning to have lunch at a PG&E public swimming pool, so bring swim wear and a towel. We will spend two to three hours there, so if you don't plan to swim bring a book. We will end the day at Unele Runt's Restaurant (gourmet center for the Lassen Region?).

In past years we have seen Willow, Hammond's and Dusky Flycatcher, Black Swift, Bald Eagle, Osprey, Townsend's Solitaire, Mountain Bluebird and most of the warblers which breed in the mountains.

Wear sturdy shoes and be prepared to pack a lunch and liquids. Sun-tan lotion, a hat, mosquito repellent and warm clothing for cold nights may also be needed. Plan to stop at our camp in the evening for a campfire. You will need a cup and a folding chair so we can huddle together and try to stay warm. Betty Murray will join us again this year to entertain the children with campfire stories.

From the Bay Area drive north on I-5 to its junction with Hwy. 44 in Redding. Go east on Hwy. 44 to the northeast entrance of Lassen. Camping facilities are available at Manzanita Lake. Lodging is available about 15 miles north of the park at Doan's Hat Creek Resort, Old Station (916-335-2359). Other information can be obtained from the park headquarters, Mineral, CA 96063. Be sure to check at Doan's and the park bulletin boards for further details and changes in the schedule. Leaders: Dan and Joan Murphy (564-0074). (✓)

Saturday, July 3—San Mateo County Coast. Meet at Pescadero Beach parking lot at the intersection of Hwy. 1 and Pescadero Rd. at **8 a.m.** Please carpool to this point if possible; parking is limited. Bring lunch and a jacket; the weather can be cool along the coast. Brown Pelicans, Heermann's Gulls and Black Oystercatchers are probable. We may also see Harlequin Ducks, Black Swifts and Bank Swallows at Año Nuevo. Leader: Jon Zablackis (527-2083). (✓)

Upcoming Trips

Details for these and additional trips will be in the July/August or September *Gull*.

Saturday-Sunday, July 10-11—Mono Basin. Leader: Jon Zablaekis (527-2083).

Friday-Sunday, August 27-29—Backpacking Trip to Lassen Park. Leader: David Rice (865-7826).

Saturday, September 25—Bus Trip to Monterey. Leader: Ted Chandik (493-5330).

Carpooling arrangements can be made for trips marked (✓). Call Kate Partridge (524-9817) and leave a message. She will contact you.

Problems: If for any reason you have difficulty getting in touch with a field trip leader or need information regarding a trip, call Shirley Kelly (387-8290) or the GGAS office (843-2222).

—FIELD TRIPS COMMITTEE

April Observations — Through April 28

FARALLONES, FEBRUARY TO APRIL

The Island had a few notables, including a Glaucous Gull March 28 and the Bewick's Wren lingering from December through March 31. Virtually unreported elsewhere, Black-legged Kittiwakes flew northwest past the Farallones at a rate of about 100 per hour between March 14 and 20. The two waves of early-spring migrant landbirds occurred March 24-26 and April 9-11. Southeast Farallon's third and fourth Sage Sparrows were there March 24 and April 5-7. The only reported Sage Sparrow unusually close to the mainland coast was one on Vollmer Peak in Tilden Park April 8 (CG). All Farallon observations are by Point Reyes Bird Observatory.

WATERBIRDS

Northern Fulmars departed from mid-February through March and the last two were outside Monterey Bay April 5 (PW, *et al*). More Brown Pelicans than usual in spring were noted on Southeast Farallon (PRBO) and on San Francisco Bay (RL). Four Cattle Egrets flew past the Fremont BART station April 2 (EM) and two were at Zmudowski State Beach April 21 (DR). An adult Little Blue Heron was back at the Alviso egret colony April 25 (SM, MM). A late coastal Snow Goose was at Bolinas Lagoon April 25 (GM). Monterey Peninsula Harlequin Duck sightings were at Spanish Bay March 29-April 10 and Pt. Piños April 14 (all SH). An Oldsquaw was off Doran Beach April 22 (NC).

As the American Golden Plovers at Spaletta Ranch molted into breeding plumage, the flock was reported as 20 on April 13 (AG, WG) and 19 on April 18 (CR). On schedule, but very rare here in spring, was a Solitary Sandpiper along Bohan Rd. in western Sonoma County April 17 (DB, PC). Exceptionally late was the female **Ruff** at the Moss Landing salt ponds April 21 (DR). Seen only once, it may have been an unprecedented spring migrant.

A Glaucous Gull was at Charleston Slough, Palo Alto, April 11-18 (MM, SM). One wonders whether the adult **Little Gull** at the Monterey

Harbor April 3-12 (RB, SH, AS, mob) was the same one seen at Moss Landing March 6.

Two **banded Black Skimmers** created quite a stir at Alameda South Shore April 24 (HC, DT, LF, mob). Later that day they were discovered roosting on Bay Farm Island (DT, *et al*), but they were not found again until April 27 when they made one skimming run past the South Shore (BW). A Xantus Murrelet, usually here only in the fall, was outside Monterey Harbor April 5 (SFB, DS, *et al*).

LANDBIRDS

One or two Costa's Hummingbirds were in lower Del Puerto Canyon April 24 and a pair of Purple Martins was found nesting with Starlings at the summit of Mines Rd. the same day (both TG). Common Ravens nesting on a building beside the Redwood City Boat Harbor were notable because of the strange location (RL).

Olive-sided Flycatchers returned early, with one heard and seen on the U.C. Berkeley campus exceptionally so (JZ). A Yellow-breasted Chat in San Antonio Valley, Santa Clara County, April 24-26 (BB, DSc, *et al*) was a seldom-seen migrant. The male Summer Tanager returned to San Francisco Zoo March 31 and stayed through April 9 (MW, HW).

OBSERVERS: Stephen F. Bailey, Alan Baldrige, Dennis Beal, Bill Bausman, Ron Branson, Laura Collins, Pam Conley, Herold Connon, Nancy Conzett, Leora Feeney, Tim Gates, Albert Ghorso, Wilma Ghorso, Clark Gleason, Keith Hansen, Sarah Harrison, Scott Harrison, Sid Harrison (SH), Roy Lowe, Eugene Makishima, Gloria Markowitz, Hugh McGuinness, Mark Miller, Steve Miller, many observers (mob), Joseph Morlan, Dan Murphy, Point Reyes Bird Observatory (Farallon report thanks to Bob Boekeheide), Benjamin D. Parmeter, Cliff Richer, Don Roberson, Don Schmoldt (DSc), Dennis Serdehely (DS - thanks to Dennis for Monterey area report), Jane Thompson, David Trocki, Kent Van Vrunen, Bruce Walker, Jack Whetstone, Harry White, Peter White, Mike Wihler, Steve Wilson, Jon Zablackis.

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Conservation Notes

EAST BAY SHORELINE PARK PROGRESS

After nearly a year of public meetings sponsored by the State Coastal Conservancy, the staff of the State Park, and Recreation Department has issued a draft Feasibility Study with concrete recommendations for creation of a State Park along the East Bay Shoreline from Emeryville to the Albany-El Cerrito line. The Department, which has up to \$4 million

to spend in this area as a result of Proposition 1 passed by the voters in 1980, is willing to administer a unified shoreline park.

At a public meeting to review the Parks and Recreation Department study on April 28, GGAS President Jon Zablackis presented the following statement which reflects a resolution passed by the Board of Directors at its April meeting: "Speaking on behalf of the Golden Gate Audubon Society, we heartily endorse the establishment of a State Park along the East Bay Shoreline and could go along with either the proposals made by the Conservancy Workshops or with the Department of Parks and Recreation proposal. Our primary concern is that the two major marsh areas, the Emeryville Crescent and the Albany Mudflats, be set aside as permanent wetlands sanctuaries with as little public access as possible in order to preserve the habitat values inherent in these wetlands. We have no quarrel with the continuation of controlled wood sculpture at the Emeryville Crescent north of the creek or of some limited access for nature study along the north side of the Bay Bridge Toll Plaza. However, it is essential that the major portion of the marsh be preserved and maintained as wildlife habitat for both the endangered Salt Marsh Harvest Mouse and nesting California Clapper rail as well as the migratory species which use the Pacific Flyway. Thank you."

It is heartening to see the broad understanding of the fragility of our Bay wetlands, although it will take a lot more work before these marshlands are protected permanently.

—TRUDY JACKSON

California Supreme Court Hears Mono Lake Case

On May 3, oral arguments were heard by the California Supreme Court on the Mono Lake case. This action was initiated by the National Audubon Society after an interagency task force recommendation to reduce diversions from the lake was rejected by the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. The increased salinity of the lake led to the death of 25,000 gull chicks last year (95% of the hatch) due to the sharply reduced brine shrimp hatch. The reduced water level in the lake also has linked Negit Island and tufa islets to the mainland, reducing the available gull nesting area to 16% of 1978 levels.

The main legal point raised by the Audubon Society was the lack of any review of environmental effects at the time Los Angeles' permits were approved 42 years ago. Audubon contended that the lake was protected by the public trust doctrine which applies to navigable waters and wetlands. Los Angeles' DWP's position was that the public interest was already considered in 1940 and that domestic use (water and agricultural) is given highest priority under the Water Code and the California Constitution. The California Water Resources Board argued that the case was inappropriately before the court because the decision should

be made by the Board. Los Angeles argued that to apply the public trust doctrine would upset the entire system of water law and potentially affect the right to future diversions including the Peripheral Canal.

Watch the newspapers for the Court's decision (if it hasn't been announced before this issue reaches you). The decision will shape the future of Mono Lake and its critically threatened wildlife. Future issues of the *Gull* will report developments and suggest action that may be needed.

—ROBIN PULICH

Summer Birding Classes in Albany

Dr. Stephen F. Bailey will teach two courses, sponsored by GCAS, at Albany Adult School.

Returning Shorebirds covers 28 species found in the Bay Area during June and July. Although emphasis will be on habitat, habits, identification and aging of the species that return at that time, the resident breeding species will be included. Essentially all but the rarer species are covered. Slide lectures will meet 7-9 p.m. on three Monday evenings (June 21, July 12 and 26). There will be four-to-six-hour field trips on each Saturday following an evening class.

Sierra Nevada Birds introduces the birds associated with the forests, meadows, cliffs and alpine areas of the Yosemite Sierra Nevada. Slide lectures will meet 7-9 p.m. on six consecutive Wednesdays, beginning June 23. An optional, privately-sponsored weekend trip July 10-11 to the portion of Yosemite along Hwy. 120 will be available through the instructor.

Dr. Bailey plans other privately-sponsored trips to northeastern California June 12-13 (Flammulated Owl, Mt. Lassen area, Burney Falls, Lava Beds National Monument, Tule Lake) and to the Salton Sea and Mt. Piños on three days in mid-August.

For information on any class or trip, call Steve immediately at 548-9507. To register for classes call the Albany Adult School at 526-6811 or attend the first class meeting.

Dr. Bailey is also considering a **Pelagic Birds** course in late September and October. Monterey Bay field trips would be coordinated through Shearwater Journeys. For this it is necessary to gauge the likely response. If you are interested in this possibility be sure to *call Steve (548-9507) no later than June 20.*

New in Our Library

The Country Journal Book of Birding and Bird Attraction by Alan Pistorius has been described as "eloquent, witty, and richly informative" and it is true, all true! It was hard to believe that I *needed* another book with such a title on my shelves, but after dog-eared the GCAS office copy I purchased the book I could not do without (to replace the GCAS copy, of course).

In his own introduction Alan terms the book "a year in the life of the 'working' birder." He moves imaginatively through the seasons alternating "home" activities and "away" birding with such topics as migration, winter feeding, Christmas Bird Counts (CBCs), building bird houses, planting appropriate habitat, Big Days and bird atlas-ing. Although the geographical area treated in this book is the extended northeast, especially with regard to the chapters on attracting birds, the event chapters are applicable to North America in general and all of the book contains information of interest to birders anywhere.

In this respect, most helpful were the chapters on bird migration—fairly detailed and carefully footnoted—and "Mapping the Birds of Summer"—timely and useful for those in the Bay Area involved in Marin County's Breeding Bird Atlas. Here Alan gives some history of atlas-ing, its current terminology, and he takes us through his own experiences in Atlas Book No. 1535 in west-central Vermont. Perhaps least helpful to a westerner was the chapter on habitat planting, which treats extensively the suitable plants for an eastern backyard; but even here an aspiring botanist, a displaced easterner or a would-be traveler to the east can have a good time.

For me the high point in the book is "The Christmas Count," certainly must reading for local CBC participants. The count Alan describes in detail is the GGAS CBC of 1972, of which he was compiler. He describes the count as 23 hours 46 minutes of rain! Many of you will remember it well. (Alan must have been competing for "high participant" record that year, for he conscripted me, your basic novice, on my first CBC. The result ten years later: a total bird addict.) Vignettes from a Pt. Reyes CBC are also included in this chapter.

Throughout the book Alan's enthusiasm for a wide spectrum of bird-ing topics is always evident. He doesn't hedge about his pet peeves either and takes some jabs at domestic predators, habitat destroyers and ugly birders. Sprinkled throughout are little-known facts such as the true nature of the four calling birds in "The Twelve Days of Christmas" and a seed-by-seed description of your average commercial bird food. Appropriate quotations are interspersed and the illustrations by Don Almquist are very nice. Altogether this book is entertaining, informative and a treat not to be missed.

[Alan Pistorius graduated from the University of Iowa and received his Ph.D. in English literature from UC-Berkeley, where he also taught courses in field ornithology. Alan and Dotty were active GGAS members 1970-74. Dottie was sometime GGAS executive director.]

—HELEN GREEN

Alan Pistorius, *The Country Journal Book of Birding and Bird Attraction*, New York: W. W. Norton, 1981. Obtainable by mail from *Country Journal*, Dept. K, 205 Main St., Brattleboro, VT 05301, by sending \$15.95. They pay postage and handling.

Back Yard Birder

A dull roar and the sound of trees being snapped off awoke us one stormy night in April. Turning on our outdoor lights and peering into the rainy blackness we saw a three-foot wall of mud oozing across the patio. Ultimately it covered the entire back yard to a depth of three to five feet, stopping against the rim of the redwood hot tub and resting against the back of the house.

A disaster? Yes, it was to us. But next morning it appeared to be a Disneyland for many birds. There was a natural waterfall for bathing and drinking. Various tangles of greasewood and tree branches served as perches and, best of all, worms, bugs and small critters abounded for breakfast. Every species I see in my yard was there to inspect this wind-fall: Varied Thrush, Hermit Thrush, Golden-crowned and White-crowned Sparrows, California Thrasher, Wrenit, Brown and Rufous-sided Towhees, Mourning Doves and the ever-curious Stellar and Scrub Jays.

I'm sure the slide destroyed many nests and baby birds because it traveled a distance of 500 vertical feet down a thickly-treed and shrubbed area. I wondered if adult birds perched for the night might have escaped? Probably.

All of us have seen flocks of gulls follow fishing boats or a farmer plowing a field. Robins eagerly dog the swaths of a lawn mower for juicy morsels. In a study done on American Robins it was found that they distinctly prefer a neatly clipped lawn and spend less time foraging as grass grows longer. My mud slide served the same purpose: it exposed prey and became a virtual delicatessen for the first few days. How clever birds are to use natural changes in their environment as a means of survival.

—MEG PAULETICH

More on the Conference (continued from page 81)

The conference also provided a forum for the interchange of ideas on how chapters throughout the Western Region (California, Oregon, Washington and Nevada) deal with the various local environmental problems that seem to plague every locality in the country. In Washington State, for instance, there is grave concern for the preferred habitat of the Spotted Owl—old growth coniferous forest—which is threatened by possible timber harvest because of new policies being pushed on the U.S. Forest Service by the Undersecretary of Agriculture who is in charge of policy for the National Forests.

The primary task set before the chapter delegates' session was to choose two priorities which the National Audubon Society should pursue in the years 1983-84. These priorities, along with those chosen by the

other nine regional conferences, will then be whittled down by the National Audubon Board of Directors to five and presented to the National Convention next year at Estes Park, Colorado. After a long and often frustrating session, the two priorities for the Western Region were (1) water issues and (2) protection of wildlife, specifically endangered species.

Throughout the conference, it was stressed that grassroots member involvement in local, state, regional and national environmental issues really works. Only through writing letters, visiting and calling legislators, participation in community meetings and in fund-raising activities and being ever vigilant can we hope to win our battles over Clean Air, Mono Lake, pesticide and toxic waste control and the reauthorization of the Endangered Species Act.

—JON ZABLACKIS

Bodega Marine Laboratory Summer Session

UC's Bodega Marine Laboratory will offer a six-week, ten-credit full-time field course entitled "Ecology of Marine and Coastal Birds and Mammals," beginning August 2. It will combine lectures, laboratory field trips and field research projects to study ecology, behavior, physiology and evolution of pelagic, nearshore and coastal birds including shorebirds, as well as California marine mammals. Instructors include Peter Connors, Kimberly Smith, Bill Rogers and several guest lecturers. Tuition and fees are \$400. BML housing, with meals, is available. For information, write to Summer Programs, Bodega Marine Laboratory, P.O. Box 247, Bodega Bay, CA 94923, or phone (707) 875-2211.

City of Oakland Feather River Camp

An opportunity to meet the plants, birds, mammals and tiny creatures of stream and pond bottoms, while housed and fed in a sociable camp setting in the Sierra Nevada, is again open to Audubon members at Oakland's Feather River Camp from July 3-10. Paul F. Covel, retired Oakland naturalist and environmental teacher, offers easy nature hikes, caravans and evening picture reviews of observations. For more information or reservations call Oakland Office of Parks and Recreation, 273-3791.

Audubon Sierra Natural History Workshop

Hike in two-and-one-half miles to primitive Golden Trout Camp at 10,000 feet in the southern Sierra near Mt. Whitney. Carry in your bedding and personals, but tents, cots and delicious meals are provided. Stay a week and attend the loosely-structured natural history workshop. The format is daily hikes, either easy or strenuous, with qualified naturalists. Sessions start July 25, August 1 and 8. Cost is \$125 for adults. For more information or brochure, write to Mrs. Tomi Sollen, 825 Soledad, Santa Barbara, CA 93103 or call (805) 966-4836.

News from the Ranch

The end of a very successful season is approaching. As a reminder, if you have delayed your visit, the Ranch will close to the public immediately following the Fourth of July weekend.

Plans for remodeling of the bookstore, exhibit hall and a new bird observatory have been submitted to the Board of Directors of ARC and were approved. Their implementation will be the order of the days ahead.

Damage from the January storm has been appraised at a minimum of \$117,000. It consisted mainly of damage to pipes, sewers, drainage ditches and the like. This figure, however, does not include the repair of the berm protecting Livermore Marsh at Audubon Cypress Grove which suffered an extensive breach. Soil engineers, hydrologists, etc., are now in the process of evaluating methods and costs of reconstruction.

—BETTY BOYD

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