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Conservation at Home and Along the Pacific Flyway

We often think of large restoration projects as the answer to habitat loss, but recent studies show that backyards, however small with native plantings, create a mosaic of micro-habitats, which provide tremendous potential for support of resident and migratory birds. Native landscapes support songbirds, hummingbirds, butterflies and other pollinators, save water and add pleasure to your backyard watching. Many resources are available including the California Native Plant Society <http://www.cnps.org/cnps/grownative/habitat/hummingbirds.php>, San Mateo County programs http://www.recycleworks.org/compost/sustainable_gardening.html, and local gardening clubs. You *can* make a difference.



Save the Shore volunteer
Photo by M. Goodale

Sequoia Audubon supported conservation efforts on the coast by partnering with the Pacifica Shorebird Alliance to install symbolic fencing and signage to protect the Western Plover breeding areas. Lead by Margaret Goodale, local 2nd graders drew the signs and helped with the installation. The fencing will be reinstalled in December when the plovers start returning. Check the web site for dates to volunteer or by emailing margstan@sbcglobal.net.

We support conservation along our Pacific Flyway with an annual donation of \$500 to our Sister chapter, Panama Audubon.

Go Birding in your backyard, park, county or beyond then post your birds. Your sightings help scientist know where the birds are - it counts! Worldwide postings: eBird <http://ebird.org/content/ebird/>, or in San Mateo County: <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/peninsula-birding/info>

The Big Sit and the Big Bike Ride – Oct 11th

Sequoia Audubon holds the annual fall fundraiser called the Big Sit, located on a hilly rise overlooking the North Pond at Pescadero State Beach. From this vantage point above the marsh, the back hills and ocean can be observed to maximize our count. The Sit is supported by pledges from members, friends and other supporters who pledge an amount of money per species seen. All are welcome to come for the whole day, a brief visit, or for the snacks and fun.

This year initiates the Big Bike Ride, starting on the coastal back roads and finishing up at the Big Sit site. Rob Furrow will lead this adventure to compete with the Big Sit for the most species. The Big Sit is an International event, competing with the likes of Cape May Point in New Jersey, Corpus Christi, Texas and San Blas, Mexico for the most species. For details and to sign up, contact smcbgeditor@earthlink.net.

We're making a few changes to the newsletter format, consolidating information on the field trips and events to the middle pages to pull out and save, but more importantly we ask that you migrate to the online newsletter to save trees, ink and printing costs. Send an email to Pati at parouzer@yahoo.com to receive yours online. Thank you!

Our Mission: To protect native birds and other wildlife and their ecosystems in San Mateo County by engaging people of all ages in conservation, education, advocacy and enjoyment.



Monthly Meetings

San Mateo Garden Center

October

Thursday, Oct. 8th 7 pm

Bay Area Puma Project

November

Thursday, Nov. 12th 7 pm

Birds of Nome

December

Thursday, Dec. 10th 7 pm

Subspecies for Birders

Upcoming Field Trips

October

Sun. 4th SF Botanical Garden

Wed. 7th Pescadero State Beach

Sat. 10th Fitzgerald Marine Reserve

Sun. 11th The Big Sit - Pledge Now

Tues. 13th Hawk Hill - Marin

Sat. 24th Filoli Estate

November

Wed. 4th Wavecrest, Half Moon Bay

Sat. 7th Seal Point to Coyote Point

Sat. 14th San Gregorio State Beach

Sun. 15th Arastradero Preserve

Sat. 21st Pescadero and Environs

December

Sat. 19th Crystal Springs CBC

January 2016

Sat. 2nd Año Nuevo CBC

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Count With Us!

This is the **Christmas Bird Count's** 116th year, the longest running citizen science project in the US. The data is used to study the long-term health and status of bird populations. Sequoia has two count circles, one at Crystal Springs on Saturday, December 19th and the second one at Ano Nuevo on Saturday, January 2nd. A post-count dinner wraps up the day. Contact Leslie Flint at lflint@earthlink.net

Count at Home and for Citizen Science

National Audubon has developed a program to monitor hummingbirds and their response to food sources called Hummingbirds at Home. Scientists have studied four of our western hummingbirds and found them to be either Climate Endangered (Allen's Hummingbird) or Climate Threatened (Black-chinned, Calliope and Rufus). Allen's Hummingbird nest in San Mateo County, but by 2080, it is expected to lose 90 percent of its current breeding range, including in parts of San Mateo County. The success of the program depends on your data. Your sightings can be a single bird, a patch, or a nectar watch.

Enter your sightings then explore the data. Go to <http://www.hummingbirdsathome.org/>

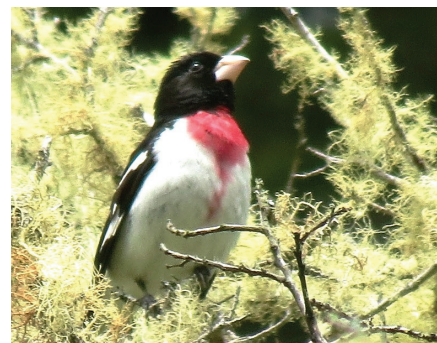


Allen's Hummingbird
by P. Rouzer

Avian Happenings in San Mateo County by Malia de Felice

Big News! The Rose-breasted Grosbeaks that nested along Gazos Creek Rd., in Pescadero successfully fledged a chick. It all started on June 4th, when Carol Miller posted the presence of a singing male Rose-breasted Grosbeak on Gazos Creek Rd. A female grosbeak had been seen with him and photos confirmed that the female was indeed a Rose-breasted Grosbeak. On June 13th a nest was discovered. Pen-bird and eBird reports started pouring in and soon the word was out. In the days to follow, birders observed the male and female taking turns at the nest, incubating and rotating the eggs.

About a week later, the adults were seen feeding chicks in the nest. On July 2nd Joseph Morlan photographed the female feeding a fledgling. Rose-breasted Grosbeak are an eastern species. They are rare but regular visitors to San Mateo County mainly in Spring and Summer. There are very few documented breeding records for California and this may be the very first successful attempt in San Mateo County. Congratulations parents!



Rose-Breasted Grosbeaks on Gazos
Creek Rd. by M. DeFelice

Drones and Bird Disturbance

After discussions on pen-bird about drones Sequoia Audubon Board members contacted the relevant authorities about what action to take in these situations. Lt. James Ober of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife recommends notifying their department through the CalTIP site at <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/enforcement/caltip.aspx>, and look for law enforcement (e.g. Sheriff deputies, City Policy) to perform actual enforcement. If you are filming or taking pictures of birds already, discreetly document whatever you can and avoid confrontation – leave that to the professionals. A successful prosecution requires that you be willing to testify in court.

Monthly Meetings

San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo

(Parkside Way is west of Alameda de las Pulgas, between 26th and 28th Avenues)

MEETING PROGRAMS

The monthly meetings includes timely announcements, news of interest to the birding community, occasional Chapter business and exceptional speakers. The doors open at 6:30 for reception and light refreshments, followed by announcements and the speaker presentation at 7:00 PM. Meetings conclude at approximately 9:00 PM.

October 8, 2015

The Bay Area Puma Project with Zara McDonald

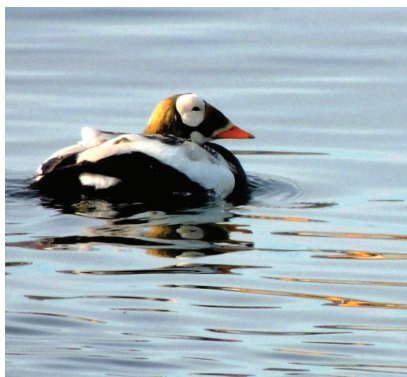
San Francisco-based and globally-working wildcat conservationist and naturalist Zara McDonald, Executive Director of Felidae Conservation Fund, gives an engaging and inspiring presentation about mountain lions and the work currently underway to study and protect them. These keystone predators (also called pumas and cougars) play a critical role in maintaining the health and biodiversity of our ecosystems. However, expansion of human populations is causing increasing encounters and conflicts between humans and pumas, and growing tensions in our local communities. Zara discusses mountain lion ecology and history, the challenges of sharing the habitat with mountain lions, and offers essential tips for living and recreating without fear in puma habitat. *Zara McDonald is the Founder and President of Felidae Conservation Fund. She founded Felidae in 2006 and started the Bay Area Puma Project in 2007. Felidae Conservation Fund is a non-profit that aims to advance the conservation of wild cats and their habitats planetwide through a combination of groundbreaking research, compelling education and cutting-edge technology. Felidae works in both North and South America on different mountain lion research and conservation projects. The flagship project is the Bay Area Puma Project – www.bapp.org.*



Puma Concolor by Z. McDonald

November 12, 2015 Birds of Nome, Alaska with Rich Cimino

The presentation will discuss the Asian rarities and resident birds found just as the Arctic breeding season is beginning. With the use of maps, Rich will have you travel along the roads of Nome that support a



Speckled Elder by R. Cimino

vast variety of breeding birds. Leading field trips in Alaska for 15 years, his life list for Nome is 148 species and eBird ranks him third all time for species observation. *Owner and operator of Yellowbilled Tours, Rich has over 4 decades of experience in birding, leading tours and conservation advocacy. He is inspired by birding, having fun along the way, and appreciating nature for the value it brings to our lives. He also has a strong interest in citizen science, habitat conservation, photography, sustainable-organic gardening and eco-tourism.*

December 10, 2015

Subspecies for Birders with Joe Morlan

When we see a bird that looks different, or doesn't quite match the picture in the book, is it a different species or perhaps just a different subspecies or other type of variation? Modern field guides now illustrate some distinctive subspecies, but what exactly is a subspecies? How do subspecies differ from other kinds of variation within or between species? How are these variations properly classified and why are these distinctions important? *Joe Morlan will outline some of the more identifiable subspecies while providing a perspective on the subspecies concept itself in what promises to be an entertaining and informative presentation.*



Joe Morlan



Sequoia Field Trips and Events

October to December 2015

San Francisco Botanical Garden

Sunday October 4; 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Golden Gate Audubon has been leading this walk on the first Sunday of every month for many years. Come along and enjoy the beautiful gardens at the peak of migration. We will stroll and bird for about 3 hours. **Suitable for wheelchairs.** Meet at the main entrance at 9th and Lincoln.

Directions: Take 280 north to 19th Avenue; take 19th Ave north, then turn right on Irving, then left on 9th. Cross Lincoln into the park. The entrance will be on your left. Park on the street.

Leader: Ginny Marshall and other leaders; ginnybirder@sbcglobal.net

Pescadero State Beach

Wednesday October 7; 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

We will meet at the furthest end of the second (middle) parking lot for Pescadero State Beach. This is the dirt parking lot just south of the creek mouth. It does not require a fee. We will spend some

time looking for shorebirds and seabirds from the bluff, then drive a short distance to another part of the park to look for landbirds. There is a wide variety of habitats in this park and we will hope to see quite a few species. Scopes will be very useful on this trip, so bring one along if you have one. Expect cool and breezy weather here, but warmer when we go inland.

Directions: From Half Moon Bay, take Highway 1 south, about 15 miles toward Santa Cruz. As you approach Pescadero, you will see extensive marsh on the east side of the highway and the second parking lot will be on your right, just after you cross the bridge over Pescadero Creek mouth.

Leader: Donna Pomeroy; dpom@comcast.net

Fitzgerald Marine Reserve

Saturday October 10; 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Some of the best birding can be found right near the parking lot in the willows by the road and in the cypress trees by the picnic tables. So that is where we will start! We will then proceed down to the beach area to scan for seabirds and shorebirds. From there we will take a leisurely walk into the park itself where there is a mix of good riparian habitat and a dense stand of conifer trees which should have some good migrant warbler possibilities. We will have the option of walking down to the beach via the stairs at the south end of the park. Our trip back to the parking lot will be along the bluff top where we will have good views of the ocean and birds passing by.

Directions: Meet at the Fitzgerald Marine parking lot. Fitzgerald Marine Reserve is located west of Highway 1 in Moss Beach, 7 miles north of Half Moon Bay, and 21 miles south of San Francisco. From Highway 1 at Moss Beach, turn west on California Avenue and proceed to the parking lot at the end of the street. The Reserve's main entrance is at the end of California Avenue. On weekends, allow 45 minutes to reach the Reserve from the intersection of Highways 280 and 92. There are restrooms at the parking lot.

Leaders: Malia DeFelice and Chris Hayward; malia.defelice.sas@gmail.com or 650-346-2009 (call if you are running late or lost). Heavy rain cancels.

The 5th Annual Big Sit!

Sunday October 11, 2015

(See details under page 1 in this newsletter.)

Hawk Hill

Tuesday October 13; 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

There has been an official raptor count in the Marin Headlands for more than 25 years. Peak migration lasts from mid-September through mid-October. Robbie Fischer has been a Hawkwatch volunteer for ten years. We will enjoy the spectacle and attempt to identify raptors as they fly by Hawk Hill. Here is the Golden Gate Raptor Observatory website for additional

background <http://ggro.org/>

Directions: Cross the Golden Gate Bridge and take the second exit, Alexander Avenue. Get in the left lane following signs that read "101 San Francisco." Turn left at the stop sign and cross under the freeway. Turn right onto Conzelman Road and drive 1.8 miles to Hawk Hill. Park alongside the road at the top of the hill, just before the road becomes one way. Walk up the west side of Hawk Hill past the locked gate. It's just a few hundred feet to the summit. Bring binoculars, lunch and a chair if you like.

Leader: Robbie Fischer; robbie22@pacbell.net

Filoli Estate

Saturday October 24; 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

(Reservations required)

Filoli Estate is the property of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. We have been invited for a morning of birding at this beautiful site on the edge of the San Francisco Watershed land. The grounds of Filoli have a beautiful formal garden surrounded by large oaks and trails leading to riparian, redwood and farm habitats. Over 96 species of birds have been found here. **Reservations required** because this trip is limited to 20 people maximum (sorry, no children under 14). Participants may remain after the field trip to walk through the house and /or formal gardens at no charge. No food or picnicking is allowed but light food and beverages at the Cafe are available for purchase and the gift shop will be open.

Directions: Take Hwy 280 to the Edgewood Road exit; go west. Turn right/north on Cañada Road and drive approx one mile to the entrance of Filoli. We will meet in front of the Visitors Center. **Heavy rain cancels.**

Leaders: Sue James and Martha O'Neal.

Call Sue James (650) 348-0315 to reserve your spot.

Wavecrest, Half Moon Bay

Wednesday November 4; 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The focus on this trip will be on raptors. The grasslands of Wavecrest are an important wintering grounds for a variety of species of raptors, especially White-tailed Kites, Northern Harriers and Red-tailed Hawks; as well as Red-shouldered Hawks and American Kestrels. The numbers of these birds here are impressive! We will also walk down to the bluffs overlooking the ocean and look for shorebirds and waterbirds. Expect cool and breezy weather. Scopes will be useful here, so bring one along if you have one.

Directions: Meet at the west end of Wavecrest Road by the ball fields. Wavecrest Road is 1.5 miles south of Highways 1 & 92 in Half Moon Bay at the intersection with the red double-decker bus at Cameron's Pub and Inn.

Leader: Donna Pomeroy; dpom@comcast.net

Birding by Bike, Seal Point to Coyote Point
Saturday, November 7; 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

On this biking trip we'll enjoy the many shorebirds, ducks, and other waterbirds migrating or wintering along the San Mateo County bay shore. We will explore Seal Point and the 3rd Avenue Marsh, then head along the Bay Trail towards Coyote Point. 3-4 miles of biking in total. Heavy rain cancels. Any bike is fine, but you should come prepared with binoculars, water, sunscreen, warm clothes, and snacks. **Directions:** We'll meet at the westernmost parking lot of Seal Point Park. After you enter Seal Point Park from J. Hart Clinton Drive (3rd Ave) in San Mateo, head west out of the roundabout, and drive to the final parking lot.

Leader: Rob Furrow, robertfurrow@gmail.com
(heavy rain cancels)

San Gregorio State Beach
Saturday November 14; 8:00 a.m. (half-day trip)

Meet at the main parking area; you will need to pay the State Park fee (\$8) or have a State Parks pass. San Gregorio State Beach is located on State Route 1, at the intersection with State Route 84; it is easier, though, to come over State Route 92, then proceed south from Half Moon Bay. We will be looking for shorebirds, waterfowl, rails, and vagrant passerines. This is a half-day trip, over sometime in the noon hour. Bring sunscreen and water; a telescope can be useful if you have one. There is some hiking uphill.

For more information, contact leader Jennifer Rycenga at
gyrrlfalcon@earthlink.net

Winter Birds of Arastradero Preserve
Sunday November 15; 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Enid Pearson Arastradero Preserve is "birdy" any time of the year. We will walk 3-4 miles in rolling hills and investigate several different habitats. We will be looking especially for raptors and woodpeckers and we have a chance for eagle

Directions: Drive south on 280, exit at Page Mill Rd. and turn right. Take another right onto Arastradero. The parking lot will be on the right.

Leader: Ginny Marshall; ginnnybirder@sbcglobal.net

Pescadero State Beach and Environs
Saturday November 21; 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

We will meet at the furthest end of the second (middle) parking lot for Pescadero State Beach. This is the parking lot just south of the creek mouth. It does not require a fee. We will spend some time looking for shorebirds and seabirds from the bluff. We will then drive a short distance to a dirt parking lot at the intersection of Hwy 1 and Pescadero Road where we will journey into the marsh and walk along trails which will allow us to view waterfowl, herons, egrets, raptors and other marsh birds up close and personal. If time and energy allows, we will head over to Water Lane to look for land birds. Water Lane takes us to the "back" of the marsh and is a great spot for warblers in fall and winter. There are a wide variety of habitats in this park and we will hope to see quite a few species. Expect cool and breezy weather here, but warmer when we go inland. Restrooms are located at the first parking lot.

Directions: From Half Moon Bay, take Highway 1 south, about 15 miles toward Santa Cruz. As you approach Pescadero, you will see an extensive marsh on the east side of the highway and the second parking lot will be on your right, just after you cross the bridge over Pescadero Creek mouth.

Leaders: Malia DeFelice and Chris Hayward; malia.defelice.sas@gmail.com 650-346-2009 (call if running late or lost). Heavy rain cancels.

Millbrae Bayfront Park
Wednesday December 9; 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

(This is the Second Wednesday, to coincide with high tide)

Millbrae Bayfront Park is one of the best locations in San Mateo County to look for the endangered Ridgeway's Clapper Rail. As high tide approaches at 10:30, we will have a very good chance to see this normally elusive bird out in the open. This is also an excellent location to view the large number of ducks and shorebirds that use this part of San Francisco Bay as a wintering ground. Meet at the free public parking for the Marriott Hotel.

Directions: Bayfront Park is located at the corner of Millbrae Ave. and Old Bayshore Hwy. Take US 101 to the Millbrae exit, and go east. Where Millbrae Ave. ends, turn right onto Old Bayshore Hwy. Take your next available left (a turn lane is provided) into the Marriott Hotel's parking lot, and bear left. There are a handful of spaces here set aside for Bayfront Park. There are a handful of overflow spaces in the Westin lot, which is the first right off of Old Bayshore after you turn off of Millbrae Ave.

Leader: Donna Pomeroy; dpom@comcast.net

Cowell-Purisima Trail
Saturday December 12; 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Work off those holiday meals with a long but easy hike along our sumptuous coast! This morning's field trip will explore the new Cowell-Purisima Trail, opened by Peninsula Open Space Trust last year. We will be looking for raptors and grassland birds such as sparrows and meadowlarks. Ocean views provide good sea watching opportunities for sea birds. This area features the coastal terrace prairie habitat, similar to Wavecrest and Blufftop Parks further north in Half Moon Bay. At the turnaround point of our walk, there is a good riparian area where we can search for wintering warblers. This trip would be especially appropriate for photographers - both new and experienced - because of the sweeping vistas and hawks in flight. The plan is to walk a 4-mile round-trip to the creek and back. The walk is flat except for the last descent into the creek area and return ascent back to the flat trail. There are restrooms at the parking lot.

Directions: meet at the parking lot on California Route 1, about three miles south of 92, across from Bob's produce stand.

Leaders: Malia DeFelice and Chris Hayward contact: malia.defelice.sas@gmail.com or 650-346-2009 (call if running late or lost). Heavy rain cancels.

CBC

Saturday, Dec 19, 2015 Crystal Springs CBC

Saturday, Jan 2, 2016 Año Nuevo CBC

CBC Coordinator Leslie Flint contact: lflint@earthlink.net

Monthly Nature Walks Offered by California State Park Docents at Pescadero Marsh

Docents lead nature walks the first Sunday of each month from 10:00-12:00 noon, and third Sunday from 1:00 - 3:00 PM. Check it out in October 4th and 18th, November 1st and 15th and December 6th and 20th.

Audubon members are US

Sequoia members lead field trips, engage in conservation advocacy, monitor birding hot spots (ex: Radio Road ponds), write letters, serve on boards, perform surveys, rescue birds and much, much more. In addition, members offer their skills to help partner organizations. Here is some of what we do:

-Plover Watch, Half Moon Bay. The HMB Ranger Station sponsors a Plover Watch. Volunteers, identified by maroon jackets and baseball caps, monitor the beach during nesting season to spot nests and help build enclosures to protect the eggs. Volunteers study and collect data about the snowy plovers and educate the public about the snowy plover. For information on how to become a volunteer or other questions, contact the Half Moon Bay State Beach Ranger Station's number at 650 726-8819.

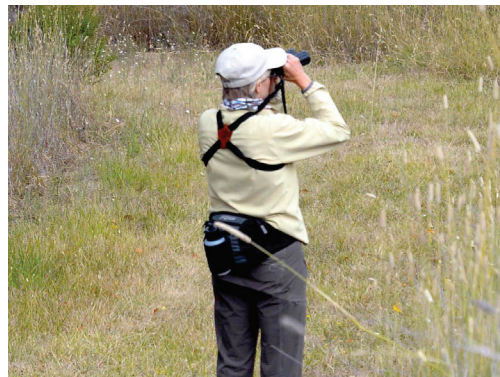
-Bird Surveys at Facebook's New West Campus Green Roof and Williams Sisters Ranch.

The first Friday of each month a volunteer team surveys birds on the green roof at Facebook's West Campus Green Roof in a collaboration with Santa Clara Valley Audubon to monitor bird response to this innovative habitat.

The Williams Sisters Ranch is a 1200-acre working ranch along Skyline Rd. This spectacular ranch is a closed property and the surveys offer a rare opportunity to spend a few hours walking the varied trails. The surveys take approximately 3 hrs to complete. To volunteer, contact office@sequoia-audubon.org.



Survey Team at Facebook by P. Rouzer



Surveying the Williams Sisters Ranch
by P. Rouzer

In Appreciation

For outstanding service to SAS, Leslie Flint was awarded the first President's Award. Leslie wears many hats for the Chapter, serving as the Speakers Programs Coordinator, coordinates the Christmas Bird Counts, monitors development proposals that could negatively impact bird habitats, leads field trips, serves on the board of directors and generally serves as a fountain of information about all things avian.

Margaret Goodale received the Educator Award for designing and managing the 'Share the Shore' project to protect the Western Snowy Plover's breeding area on the beach in Pacifica. She worked with local school children to draw posters warning beach goers to avoid nesting areas and installed a symbolic fence around the nesting sites with the kid's artwork. (See the picture page 1).

And for **all** of our volunteers we held the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Day at Angels Island with a ferry ride, lunch, bird walks, relaxation and good memories. A full and very fun day!

Climate Change and California's Birds

Audubon scientists, in collaboration with other researchers, studied 588 North American bird species and identified 314 species that are risk to lose significant parts of their current range if climate change modeling holds true. They evaluated 40 years of climate data, records from bird counts done by Audubon (the CBC - that means you) and USGS (Breeding Bird Survey – that's you too). In California, we have 170 at-risk birds. To understand the threat, and to identify which species warrant focused conservation, two categories were established: endangered and threatened. Birds that could lose up to 50% of their current range by 2050 are designated Climate Endangered, and those at risk of losing 50% of their current range by 2080 are Climate Threatened. San Mateo County, encompassing the coast, bay, uplands and mountains and lying within the Pacific Flyway, contains approximately 75 of species both endangered and threatened. To read the full report and more go to this link:<http://climate.audubon.org/all-species>.

SAS continues to monitor impacts to birds and their habitats through the Conservation Committee and committed members. We take action by supporting and engaging in projects to protect Snowy Plovers on the coast, monitor egret and heron rookeries along the bay, maintenance work on the Radio Road ponds, development projects and many more.

Some San Mateo County Birds Threatened By Climate Change



Brown Pelican



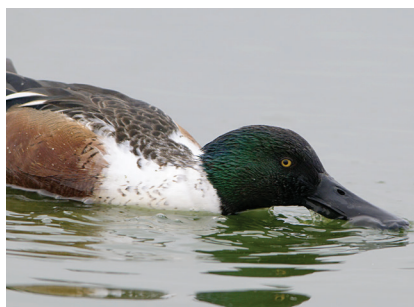
Common Loon



Pygmy Nuthatch



Hooded Oriole



Northern Shoveler



Allen's Hummingbird

Sequoia Audubon Society Membership Form

Individual membership for seniors (>62) \$15.00
and students (<25) \$20.00
Individual membership \$25.00
Family membership \$
Donation to SAS \$

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Support our Chapter's Work - Donate

A few months ago a family on a bird walk enjoyed the efforts of Field Trip Leader Malia De Felice so much that they donated a significant gift. We work hard to share and protect the birds with the community and support at any level is deeply appreciated. Your donations help us provides birds walks, education, advocacy and conservation action. Thank you for your support. Capable of a gift of stocks or property? Contact Pati at office@sequoia-audubon.org.

Support our Chapter's Work – Volunteer's Wanted!

We're looking for an Environmental Educator/Teacher, Graphic Designer, Field Trip Leaders and a home office. If you have skills, talents and enthusiasm, we want you!

Make Sure Your Coffee Supports Birds – Buy Bird Friendly SMBC Certified Coffee

Does your daily coffee support bird habitat or contribute to the demise of Neotropical landscapes? If it doesn't have the Smithsonian Migratory Bird Center (SMBC) Bird Friendly certification seal your money does not support farming practices that support resident and migratory birds. During our monthly public meetings Sequoia proudly serves Certified Bird Friendly coffee, 100% organic and shade grown from *Birds and Beans*, *The Good Coffee* (<https://www.birdsandbeans.com>) and generously donated for each monthly meeting by Susan Rowinski. Photos by P. McGann.



Migratory birds supported by Bird Friendly Coffee: Black-and-white Warbler, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Western Kingbird & Yellow Warbler

Sequoia Audubon has registered in the Amazon Smile Program

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AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support Sequoia Audubon every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization.

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