



The Sequoia



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BULLETIN OF THE SEQUOIA AUDUBON SOCIETY

MEETINGS

- January 6
Thursday
8:00 PM
- BOARD MEETING at the home of President Charles Newman, 25 Corte Alegre, Millbrae. All Board members and committee chairmen should attend. Other members are welcome.
- January 13
Thursday
8:00 PM
- REGULAR MEETING at Roosevelt School, Broadway and Vancouver Avenue, Burlingame.
The program will be entitled "Stereo Views of Mushrooms and Ferns", presented by Howard King, renowned nature photographer who has been a contributor through the years to the Academy of Sciences and topublications of the Sierra Club and the Save the Redwoods League. His photographs have helped to illustrate such books as "Exploring Our Baylands" and "Edge of a Continent" With an assist from Sequoia Audubon Mr. King will, for the first time, project his stereo views to a sizeable audience. Micologists and botanists and nature lovers will be enchanted by thisspecial view of nature's hidden treasures.
Light refreshments will be served by our social committee, after the meeting.

FIELD TRIPS

Chairman: Jean Jones 344-9339

- January 15-16
Sat.- Sunday
9:00 AM
- TOMALES BAY and Vicinity
LEADER: Mark Zumsteg (541-4332)
MEETING PLACE: See following notice for details.
Hey Nature Freaks!!! It's a mind-blowing trip to Tomales Bay for a whole weekend. Get there Friday, Saturday or Sunday and leave anytime - whatever turns you on. Yessir folks, there's plenty to occupy your head. Point Reyes Bird Observatory, Bolinas Lagoon, Tomales Bay and Point Reyes, to mention a few. The main trips will be on Saturday beginning at 9:00 AM in the town of Tomales in front of the Post Office, and Sunday at 9:00 AM in the picnic area of Tomales Bay State Park. Take one or take them all. Does staying overnight excite your brain waves? You can stay at the Inverness Motel or go back to nature with me in cold, clammy Samuel P. Taylor State Park. In case of rain, the trip will be one week later. Call me Saturday morning if it's raining. If I am home the trip will be postponed, if I am not, it's on.
Mark Zumsteg, Leader

- January 29
Saturday
9:30 AM
- ALUM ROCK PARK (San Jose)
LEADER: A.E.Montgomery (344-4249)
MEETING PLACE: Meet in the parking lot in front of the Junior Museum (Youth Science Center) in Alum Rock Park.
Alum Rock Park is about 36 miles from San Mateo, 3rd and Bayshore. Drive south on Bayshore (U.S.101) to San Jose. Two and one-half miles after passing under the Nimitz Freeway, turn off
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at Santa Clara Street, and immediately cross over Bayshore. You are now on Alum Rock Avenue, which leads northeast 4-1/2 miles to the entrance to Alum Rock Park. Bring a lunch.

FIELD TRIP REPORTS

LAKE MERCED - November 20

With the excellent weather on our side this productive day yielded some 50 species of our feathered friends. Twenty-two persons with sharp eyes and sensitive ears were able to see and report the following: Common Loons, Double-crested Cormorants, Black-crowned Night Heron, four Grebe species, Snow Goose, Cackling Goose, Ring-necked Duck, Willet, five species of gulls, Virginia Rail, Red-breasted and Pygmy Nuthatch, Bewick's and Marsh Wrens, Audubon's Warbler, and Yellowthroat. And - oh - yes, numerous black chickens (American Coots).

Enes Millar, Leader

LAKE MERRITT - December 4

A small group prepared for rain, but found clear skies and calm, crisp weather as they checked off a good variety of water birds. Female ducks caused the usual discussions, and Barrow's and Common Goldeneyes displayed their differences.

Byron Davies, Leader

HAWAIIAN ISLAND BIRD TRIP

Bob and Kathy Zedekar, of the Sacramento Audubon Society, are planning to take 18 people to the Islands on their annual Hawaiian bird and sight-seeing trip. Their tentative plans are to leave on March 11 and return March 20.

The itinerary will include the four main islands, Oahu, Kauai, Maui and Hawaii. Rental cars will be used to provide flexibility. In addition to the many birds to be seen, they will view and study tropical trees, flowers and vines.

The price, to include air fare, hotels and car rentals, will be about \$400 per person, with some possible variation if the air fare should change. Anyone interested in this trip should contact:

Kathy Zedekar, Field Trip Chairman
Sacramento Audubon Society
3300 Moorewood Court
Sacramento, Calif. 95821
Phone No. (916) 482-2294

INTERNATIONAL BIRD RESCUE RESEARCH CENTER, INC.

In order to preserve the knowledge gained as the result of last year's oil spill in San Francisco Bay, and to make this knowledge available in the event of future similar disasters, with respect to saving birds caught in the oil slicks, this organization has been formed by some of those who participated in the program. They are soliciting members in their organization to help carry on this work. Memberships vary from \$1/yr for Juniors to 250/yr for sustaining members. Regular memberships are \$5/yr and Family memberships 10/yr. For additional information write to the above organization at 2701-8th Street, Berkeley, Ca. 94710.

CONSERVATION NOTES

"BAY WATCHERS"

Save San Francisco Bay Association is seeking "Bay Watcher" volunteers who will monitor specific sections (10 to 1000 feet) of Bay shoreline, or will monitor local governmental bodies with power over Bay shoreline planning. For further information write to Save San Francisco Bay Association, P.O. Box 925, Berkeley, California 94701; or contact Claire Dedrick, Peninsula Conservation Center, 855 Oak Grove Avenue, Menlo Park, California, 94025, phone: 322-6671. Some time in January, conducted informational hikes along the shoreline will be organized for all who have volunteered.

"WATCH-BIRDS"

Birdwatchers are urged to apply their talents of observation to surveillance of our elected representatives' actions pertaining to environmental quality. Try regularly to attend city council meetings and city and county planning commission meetings and report to Peninsula Conservation Center any actions adversely affecting environmental quality. Become familiar with what to expect of your elected officials attitudes and let them know of your support or opposition. Most important environmental decisions are made by governmental bodies -- when we, as environmentalists and their constituents, fail to impress them with our objectives, the developers move in and always win.

ADDRESSES OF ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

Space does not permit listing names and addresses of city officials on the Peninsula. This information is available from the City Clerk in each city. Officials and their planning staff members become better known by attending city council meetings and by watching newspapers for reports of the meetings.

San Mateo County Board of Supervisors

County Government Center
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Gerald Day
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In April, there will be an election for three supervisory seats. Hopefully, there will be new candidates who will have records of active, effective support of environmental quality.

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Address all to: State Capitol Building
Sacramento, Ca. 95814

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Marian Lockwood, Co-chairman
Conservation Committee

Sequoia Audubon Society is a branch of National Audubon Society. Its purpose is to enjoy and safeguard the wildlife of the Bay Area. All interested persons are welcome on field trips, bird walks, and monthly general meetings.

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A CITIZEN'S RESPONSIBILITY

Legislative actions ARE influenced by public opinion. Tax-exempt, non-profit organizations such as ours are forbidden by law to attempt to influence legislation by urging their members to write to their representatives, while commercial interests are free to hire lobbyists and otherwise promote their private interests.

It is therefore the responsibility of all citizens to keep themselves informed of activities by governmental agencies which affect their welfare, and to make their wishes known to those who represent them by letter, wire, telephone, or personal visit.

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