

Saturday, March 3 Walden Ponds

Leader: Paula Hansley Hm. 720-890-2628 Cell 303-263-1714. Meet leader at 8:00 am at Cottonwood Marsh parking lot at Walden Ponds in Boulder County. Bird until about 11:00. Walden is accessed from a short road, which goes west from 75th Street 0.9 mi. north of Valmont Rd. The group will look at ducks/early migrants(?) on ponds and in woods in both Walden and Sawhill areas. We will also look for Dippers and other birds along Boulder Creek near 75th St. Bring a scope if you have one, along with snacks, water, and warm clothes.

Saturday, March 4th, Wheat Ridge Greenbelt.

Leader: Tom Parchman 303-274-7951. Meet Tom at 8:00am at Prospect Park in Wheat Ridge for a ½ day trip. Bring water and snacks; dress appropriately, in layers, for the weather. From I-70 exit 267, take Kipling south about ¾ of a mile and turn right (west) on 44th Avenue. Go one mile west. Look for the entrance to Prospect Park on your left (south). Meet just inside the park in the lot right next to the lake. We'll check the lake for waterfowl before birding the paved and dirt paths along Clear Creek. The walking is easy but may involve up to three miles of walking.

Saturday, March 10 Cherry Creek State Park

Leaders: Cheryl Teuton and Dan Brooke Meet the leaders at the west side marina at 8:00 am. From Belleview and Yosemite go east on Belleview until you reach the park entrance and follow the signs to the marina. State parks pass and \$3 fee required. (You may ask at the entrance gate about the \$3 pass on the way out if there is no one there upon arrival.) Bird until about noon. Bring water, snacks, scopes, binoculars, etc. 303.912.3341

Tuesday, March 13 Exploring the Poudre Natural Areas in Fort Collins

Co-Leaders: Nancy Wesorick and Chris Owens 970-532-2194 or 303-772-6048 or christiel@q.com
Meet leaders at 8:00 am at Jim Hamm Nature Area in Longmont. Bird until about 2:00 pm. We will walk along the Poudre River and see what we can find in the Natural Areas along the river. Bring water and lunch as well as birding essentials. If you have a need for more details call either Nancy or Chris or e-mail Chris after the 7th.

Saturday, March 17 Chatfield State Park

Leader: Joe Roller Meet leader at the Swim Beach parking lot inside west entrance of park off S. Wadsworth, 1 1/2 miles south of C-470 at 6:30 am.. Trip will be 2/3 day long. Bring two-way radios, lunch and other necessities. Who knows what you'll find but good things await. Questions? E-mail Joe at jroller9@gmail.com. ONLY use this phone number as a last resort: 303.204.828

Sunday, March 18 Longmont Area

Leader: Chris Owens Meet leader at 8:00 am at Jim Hamm Natural Area parking lot at County Line Road and 17th Avenue in east Longmont. Bird until 1 or 2 pm. From I-25 take Exit 240. To reach the park, go west four miles on CO 119 to Boulder-Weld County Line Road, then north two miles to Jim Hamm Park at 17th Ave. Joint trip with Boulder Bird Club. 303.772.6048 or christiel@q.com

Saturday, March 24 Dinosaur Ridge Hawk Watch

Leader: Tim Smart Meet leader at 8:00 am at the Hawk Watch. Trip runs until mid-day. Directions - From I-70 exit 259 (the Morrison exit), head south a short distance on CO 26 and turn left (east) into a Park-'n'-Ride parking lot (the "Stegosaurus" lot). Follow the steep and sometimes muddy trail through a gate and switchbacks up to the top of the ridge. At the top of the ridge turn left and go through the gate. smrr@juno.com

Saturday, March 31 Rollin' on the River

Leader: Jackie King Meet leader at 9:00 am in the parking lot at 3rd and Walnut on the Auraria Campus. Observers will walk along the South Platte River to look at ducks, gulls, and any other birds we can find. This will be a half day trip, ending by noon so lunch is optional. The leader uses a wheelchair so the trip will be on paved, level sidewalks perfect for those with limited mobility. Please call leader if you intend on going. 720.381.3314 or 303.287.1644

Saturday, March 31 Fountain Creek Regional Park and Big Johnson Reservoir:

Leader: Paul Slingsby, (303) 422-3728, mail to paslingsby@comcast.net . Please register with the leader beforehand, spring weather might cause a change. Meet the leader at 07:00 at the south-east corner of the Great Indoors parking lot. We will carpool from there. Great Indoors is just north of C470 on Yosemite. From Denver by I-25 use exit 195, and go West on County Line Road to Yosemite. Take Yosemite south to the Great Indoors, which will be on the right (west). Fountain Creek Regional Park has good trails for easy walking near ponds, wetlands, grassland and the creek. Spring migration might be underway, expect surprises. Bring lunch. Telescope and 2-way radio will be useful if you wish to bring them. Plan to be back at the carpool meeting place by 17:00 at the latest. If you want to meet us at Fountain Creek Regional Park, plan for 08:30 at the Peppergrass lane parking lot.

Scheduled by Chris Owens 303-772-6048