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What is Your Relationship With Birds?

By Jean Avery

Welcome to a new season of birding with Vancouver Audubon Society. We hope you will experience good times, good fellowship, and more:

Amazement: In her new book, [The Backyard Bird Chronicles](#), Amy Tan shares her intimate connection with birds at her home feeders. She writes, "I am in love." As you watch birds going about their bird lives – singing, flying, nesting, feeding their young – do you also feel connected and amazed?

Respect: As we don our binoculars and eagerly look and listen for birds, we need to be mindful of good birding habits: being quiet, keeping our distance from nests and feeding sites, limiting the use of sound recordings, minimizing habitat disturbance, and being considerate of other birders. [See [American Birding Association's Birding Ethics](#)].

Stewardship and Protection: Sadly, we know that birds are struggling as our climate is changing. There are ways to get involved in advocacy for bird protection and habitat conservation. Perhaps we can embrace stewardship of the natural world as "our place in the web of life, our work, the solution to the mystery of what we are." [Quoting [Linda Hogan](#).]

Hope and Joy: Perhaps Emily Dickinson said it best: "[Hope is the thing with feathers](#)..." Wishing you the joy of birding!



Tom Tinsley, Jean Avery, and Jackson Wolfe sharing the joys of nature



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Vancouver Audubon Supports “No on 2117”

By Susan Saul

Climate issues are bird issues. At Vancouver Audubon, our mission is to protect birds and the places they need, today and tomorrow. We know that climate change is impacting birds. Two-thirds of North American birds are at increasing risk of extinction from global temperature rise.

Reducing climate change is one of both National Audubon’s and Vancouver Audubon’s priority conservation campaigns. We are spreading the word to make sure people vote NO on I-2117, a purposely misleading initiative that would end protections for our air, water, forests, and farmland while devastating our transportation and road programs, and cost Washingtonians more.

Washington’s 2021 Climate Commitment Act (CCA) caps and reduces greenhouse gas emissions from Washington’s largest emitting sources and industries, allowing businesses to find the most efficient path to lower carbon emissions. Funds from the auction of emission allowances support new investments in climate-resiliency programs, clean transportation, and address health disparities across the state. This powerful program works alongside other critical climate policies to help Washington achieve its commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 95% by 2050.

I-2117, which will be on the state ballot in November, would repeal the CCA.

Written by a mega-millionaire, I-2117 will do nothing to reduce energy costs for you or your family. It cuts funding for vital programs that help to reduce costs for households, including programs that support energy-efficient cooling and heating systems for families, Tribes, and small businesses, as well as programs that lower utility costs for low and middle-income households and seniors.

Observed and Predicted Climate Change

Washington state average temperature has increased by about 2.0 degrees F. since 1900.

Since 1986, all but 5 years have been above the long-term (1895–2020) average.

Winter warming has been evident in the below average number of freezing days and very cold nights since 1990.

Washington state average temperatures are expected to increase 4.7–10 degrees F. by 2100. Without actions such as capping greenhouse gases, average temperatures would be expected to increase toward the 10-degree end of the prediction.

Source: NOAA National Centers for Environmental Information, State Climate Summaries 2022



I-2117 will strip billions in investment from community priorities in every county in Washington — like air quality, transportation and transit service, fish habitat, and preventing wildfires.

Instead of a fee on pollution being paid by a few, I-2117 would shift the burden of paying for the impacts of pollution back onto communities, workers and families. Birds, fish and wildlife would pay the cost of temperature rise.

I-2117 threatens vital protections for our waterways including rivers, lakes, and streams, while ending programs that support fish habitat and salmon recovery - like programs that remove barriers that hurt spawning salmon and encourage landowners to plant native vegetation along salmon-bearing streams.

The No on 2117 coalition includes over 400 Washington organizations, including Vancouver Audubon, Audubon Washington and nine other Audubon chapters. We urge you to **Vote No on I-2117.**

VAS Programs

September 3, 2024 -- Program on Sustainable Agriculture

The Clark Conservation District is a wonderful organization providing education and assistance for an array of topics in Clark County. From soil management to riparian restoration, these experts do it all. We will be kicking off our program season with an education program from CCD on sustainable agriculture, and how we can all do our part to help our feathered friends. Bring your sense of wonder!

Refreshments will be provided by Joan Durgin.

October 1, 2024 -- To Be Determined

MEETING LOCATION:

[Evergreen Public Schools Administration](#)
[13413 NE LeRoy Haagen Memorial Drive](#)

Vancouver, WA

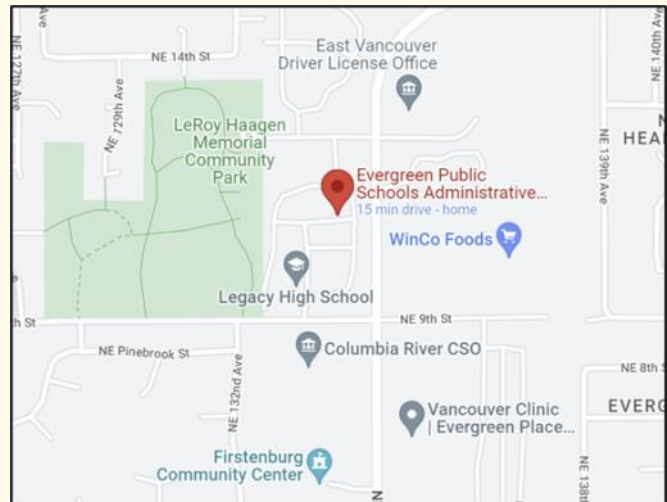
6:30 pm – 7:00 pm - Social time to share bird sightings, stories, and upcoming events

7:00 pm – 8:15 pm - Program

Programs are held the first Tuesday of the month except Jan, July, & August. All are welcome, we hope you will join us!

Contact Jackson Wolfe for more information at meetings@vancouveraudubon.org. Have ideas for a speaker? Please send all topic, speaker, and program suggestions and requests to Jackson.

Enter the parking lot on the LeRoy Haagen Memorial Drive side. (If you navigate to LeRoy Haagen Park, your Google Maps should take you to the correct road).



Vancouver Audubon Advocates for Bird-Friendly Green Building Policy

By Susan Saul

Vancouver Audubon representatives have been participating in public workshops to provide input into the City of Vancouver's work to develop a Green Building Policy.

The City is creating the Green Building Policy to help implement its Climate Action Framework. The goals of the policy are to (1) reduce greenhouse gas emissions through energy efficiency, (2) reduce carbon emissions through buildings' life cycles, (3) create climate resilience, and (4) protect ecological and natural systems. The city will use a mix of building codes and incentives to implement the policy for developing new buildings and upgrading 34 existing municipal buildings.

Vancouver Audubon is particularly interested in seeing the city achieve goal 4 through the use of bird-friendly glass and dark sky lighting in building design, habitat protection in new developments, preservation of mature trees, use of native and climate-resilient plants in landscaping, and soil management for carbon sequestration.

City staff will hold a workshop with the City Council this fall to review the Green Building Policy. If the City Council approves, staff will write building codes to be adopted at a city council meeting.

Whistling Ridge Project has Expired!

The state-issued permit for the Whistling Ridge Wind Energy Project expired on March 5, 2022. In 2024, the Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) reviewed two separate requests, one that would have revived and extended the expired permit and another that would have transferred the permit and the project to a new parent company, Twin Creeks Timber (aka Green Diamond Resource Company). On July 17, 2024, EFSEC issued a written order denying both requests and declaring the permit "expired."

This poorly sited wind energy project in Skamania County would have harmed important natural and scenic resources. Proposed along the boundary of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area and within an area designated for the protection of the endangered northern spotted owl, the Whistling Ridge project would have marred world-class scenery and harmed endangered species habitat, with little to no benefit to the state of Washington's citizens. The site was never surveyed for birds during key migratory periods, in direct violation of state and federal rules for siting energy projects. Located next to forested habitat, the wind turbines also would have severely threatened bats.

Vancouver Audubon Appeals Superior Court Decision

DNR Doesn't Designate Western Gray Squirrel Critical Habitat

In early June, Judge Derek Vanderwood, Clark County Superior Court, dismissed our western gray squirrel critical habitat case. He concurred with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that we did not have standing to bring the case because we did not have an economic interest at stake. We have appealed Judge Vanderwood's decision to the Washington Court of Appeals.

Vancouver Audubon is the lead plaintiff in a lawsuit challenging the DNR's decision not to designate western gray squirrel critical habitat in violation of its own rules. We are joined in the lawsuit by Friends of the Columbia Gorge, Friends of the White Salmon River, WildEarth Guardians, and the Center for Biological Diversity.

We filed suit on February 23, 2024, in Clark County Superior Court against the DNR and Public Lands Commissioner Hilary Franz for failing to fulfill their obligation to propose critical habitats for the state endangered western gray squirrel.

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) listed the western gray squirrel as an endangered species on December 28, 2023. DNR's regulations require the agency to propose critical habitat within 30 days of the listing of an endangered species. DNR had until January 27, 2024, to do so, but it has not taken any action.

The western gray squirrel, not to be confused with the prolific eastern gray squirrel common in urban areas like Vancouver, is a crucial indicator of the health of rare Oregon white oak woodland habitat in Washington. It is the largest tree squirrel in the Pacific Northwest. Given the lack of protective regulations, the species' numbers have continued to decline statewide for decades. WDFW estimates that fewer than 1,500 western gray squirrels remain, putting the species on the brink of extinction in the state.

In Washington, WDFW listed the western gray squirrel as a threatened species in 1993 due to habitat loss. Despite the threatened listing 30 years ago, squirrel populations have continued to decline largely because of habitat loss caused by forest practices, land development and wildfires.

The continued decline prompted the WDFW to protect remaining squirrel populations by uplisting them as an endangered species, but DNR failed to prepare and submit to the Washington Forest Practices Board a proposed list of critical habitats as required by state law.

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Unfortunately, voluntary conservation measures have not been successful in stopping the loss of western gray squirrel habitat and populations so the state needs to adopt regulations.

Our lawsuit is not about long-term regulatory protections for the western gray squirrel. It is about DNR's obligation to propose critical habitat as an immediate, interim measure until the state can determine which long-term regulatory protections to adopt.

Lights Out for Bird Migration—Peak Migration is September 19—October 19

Take the Pledge to help Save Energy, Save Birds and See Stars! Do an audit of your home lighting and follow best practices:

- Turn off your outdoor lights when you're not using them.
- Make sure outside lights aim down and are well-shielded so that they don't create light trespass or glare.
- Install motion sensors on your outside lights so that they're only on when needed.
- When converting outdoor lights to LED, choose warm bulbs (3,000 Kelvins or under).
- During migration seasons, draw your blinds or curtains to reduce light spill.



For more information, visit [Lights Out](#) at Bird Alliance of Oregon.

Notes From Young Birders' Club

By Katie Warner and
Jackson Wolfe

News&Updates

Tweedle-dee, tweedle-doo. Here's what the Young Birders' are gonna do!

This Summer was a fun one for Young Birders! With attendees and new friends at the Wenas campout in June, bird walks, game nights, and multiple tabling events, we did a lot of birding!

Now to the future—YBC is offering a volunteer internship for high schoolers during the 2024/25 school year. If you or someone you know is between ages 14 and 18 and would like to build valuable work experience in conservation, customer service, and marketing, send them our way. Inquiries will be received through the Young Birders' email below.

We are excited to begin another fun year of birding, games, and volunteering with young birders! See our upcoming events below. Please [contact us](#) to sign up for any of these events!

If you have any questions, comments, or ideas for our club, please feel free to share them with youngbirders@vancouveraudubon.org. As always, tell your friends about us, and happy birding!

Important Upcoming Events and Dates

Tuesday, September 3rd—VAS Monthly Program @ 7p, Evergreen Admin Building

Saturday, September 14th—Bird walk @ 8a, Location TBD

Wednesday, September 18th—YBC Monthly Zoom Meeting, 6p

Saturday, October 12th—Outreach Event & Bird Walks, Games, Volunteering Opp. @ 9a-2p, Location: McConnell Community Park, Battleground, WA

World Migratory Bird Day

by Becky Boley

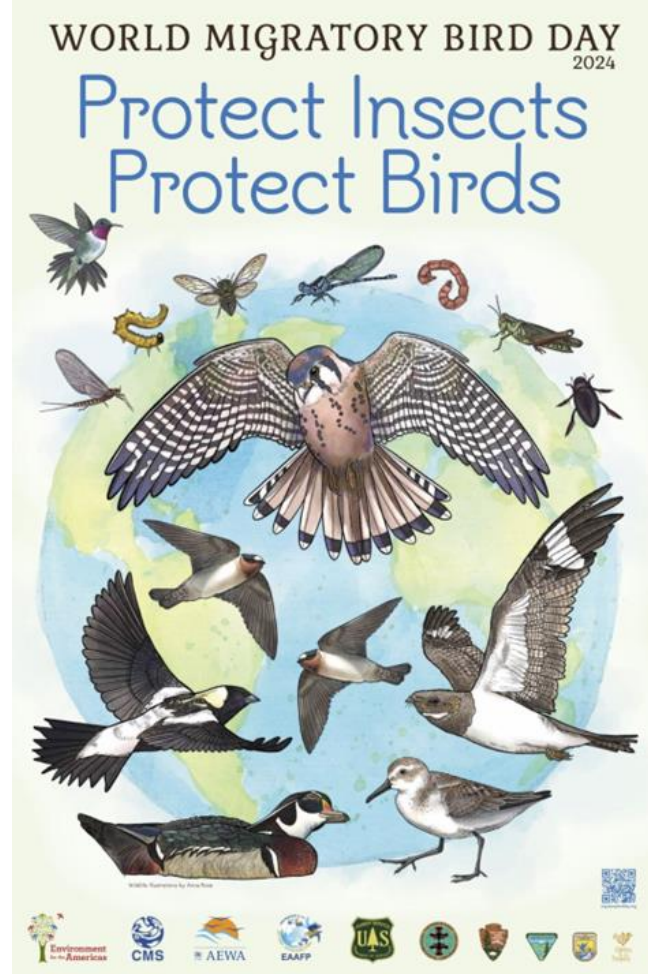
When: Saturday, October 12, 2024; 9am - 2pm

Where: McConnell Park, 918 NW 25th Ave, Battle Ground, WA 98604

Saturday October 12, 2024 - Vancouver Audubon Society is hosting an event in celebration of World Migratory Bird Day to recognize and bring attention to the important and spectacular feat of bird migration. It's also an opportunity to learn about the conservation needs that support bird migration: clean and available water sources, insects and habitats.

Our day will include bird walks, games and interactive activities. We will showcase several local organizations, each hosting their own special information and activities. This is a family friendly event, with food, games, and more! There's no cost to attend and no registration necessary.

All ages welcome. We hope to see you there!



If you are interested in volunteering some of your time on October 12 to help this event be a success, please contact Becky Boley at:

communityoutreach@vancouveraudubon.org

25th Anniversary Ridgefield Birdfest and Bluegrass Festival

Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge will be fee-free on Saturday, October 5th for the 25th Anniversary BirdFest & Bluegrass Festival! Seasonal Trails, including the Kiwa Trail and Carty Lake Trail, will be open! BirdFest & Bluegrass is an event put on by the Friends of Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge and the City of Ridgefield to celebrate the Refuge, the community, and everything nature has to offer.

Vancouver Audubon will have volunteers manning scopes during this event in Ridgefield again this year. Let Becky or Randy know your interest.



Young Birder's Club



FREE for ages 10-18



2 to 3 meetings monthly,
in the field and online



Learn from bird experts



**Bird watching walks, art
programs, research, and
habitat restoration**



SCAN ME

Join us at our next meeting!

See our website for schedule

vancouveraudubon.org/young-birders-club

youngbirders@vancouveraudubon.org



American Bittern
Ridgefield Wildlife Refuge
Photo by Jackson Wolfe

VAS Bird Walks & Field Trips

Please visit the [VAS website](#) for up-to-date field trip details and requirements.

Interested in getting field trip announcements in your inbox or as a text? Send a message to vas@vancouveraudubon.org to be added to those lists. Please specify if you prefer email, text through GroupMe, or both.

Sunday, September 1 First-of-Month Bird Walk—

Meeting time: 7:00am **Leader:** Cindy McCormack **Register:** Cindy at vas@vancouveraudubon.org

Meeting Location: Vancouver Lake flushing channel (east end). (45°40'08.8"N 122°44'37.0"W)

We will plan on walking Vancouver Lake Regional Park, starting from the parking lot at the east end of the flushing channel (just south of the rower's boathouse). We will view the lake from the flushing channel before following the trail into the park (another route may be chosen based on conditions, especially weather and water levels. Be sure to contact me if you plan on joining up later in the walk.). Resident and migrating birds should be present. Parking available at the flushing channel parking area, in a small lot just north of the rower's boathouse parking, or in Vancouver Lake park (parking fee or annual pass needed in the main park).

Bird Walks are meant to be a casual, local morning of birding. They are a great time to enjoy birds with others, find new areas to visit, and/or work on bird identification by sight and sound or to practice your eBird app with help when needed. These walks are usually easy to join or depart at any time during the morning, no commitment to participate in the entire walk if you have limited time. All are welcome!



American White Pelican

Photo: Beth Martin Lichter

Saturday, September 7 Burnt Bridge Creek Greenway

Meeting time: 7:30 am **Leaders:** Ken Pitts, Beth Martin Lichter and Stella Walk

Register: Ken at kenp@vancouveraudubon.org.

Meeting Location: [Burnt Bridge Creek parking area](#) (45.63322766993918, -122.61400257055959)

We will walk from the parking lot south and take a two mile loop through the varied habitats of the greenway. This is a level 1 A B walk with mostly paved pathways, but some off path areas of grass and chip pathways. There are restrooms available adjacent to the parking lot that will be open. If you would like to be included on text updates, be sure to give Ken your SmartPhone # when you register.

Saturday, September 28 Steigerwald National Wildlife Refuge

Meeting time: 7:30 am **Leaders:** Ken Pitts and Beth Martin Lichter

Register: Ken at kenp@vancouveraudubon.org.

Meeting Location: Gather at [parking lot](#) for Steigerwald Lake NWR off SR 14 east of Washougal (45.571534, -122.320238)

We will walk from the parking lot along the Mountain View Trail to the Columbia River. The mile out and back to the Columbia is a level 1 A B walk. We can determine if we want to continue to the inner trails and bridges once we reach the river. There are restrooms at the beginning of the trail. If you would like to be included on text updates, be sure to give Ken your SmartPhone # when you register.

VAS Bird Walks & Field Trips

Additional Field Trip Opportunities

On 9/7 and 9/14 Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge Carty Unit bird walk – Led by Ron Escano (also 10/5, 11/2, 12/7), sign up at: [Naturalist-led Walks - Friends of the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge \(ridgefieldfriends.org\)](https://ridgefieldfriends.org)

9/20-9/22 Wings over Willapa (see [Wings 2024 \(friendsofwillaparefuge.org\)](https://friendsofwillaparefuge.org))

9/25 Woodland Bottoms and Kalama River – Randy Hill/TBD

Potential Short-notice Field Trips (sign up on notification list)

Vancouver Lowlands – options include NW Lower River Road pool, Vancouver Lake, Shillapoo Lake, Frenchman's Bar Park, and end of Lower River Road.

Migration Corner – Yacolt Burn State Forest at L-1510/L-1520.

Woodland Bottoms—Vulture and raptor migration counts near NE end of Dike Road Extension.

September 17-19 Grays Harbor with Pelagic trip

Leader: Randy Hill **Register:** Randy at re_hill@q.com, call or text to 360-975-2573.

Trip travel type expectations: A-C.

Pace: 1-2

The pelagic trip on 9/18 is sold out, however the first and last days of this field trip are independent of the participation on the pelagic trip and those not going on the pelagic trip can bird locally in the Grays Harbor area on 9/18. Guests from other WA Audubon chapters will be joining for parts of our tour. The group will be finalized by 9/10, with ride-sharing determined before the trip to ensure drivers and parking/pick-up details align with participant schedules.

Target birds on the pelagic trip are near and off-shore birds and mammals during a period of high species diversity: albatross to alcids, whales, dolphins, ocean sunfish and more. Onshore targets include a wide variety of early fall migrants including waterfowl, waders, shorebirds, gulls and songbirds in coastal bay and estuary, freshwater wetland and riverine, and some forest and other habitats.

We will meet on 9/17 at 07:15 at the Salmon Creek park-and-ride to carpool. There is no overnight parking so this will be pre-arranged. We will be birding along the way to Grays Harbor with various stops along US-12 and around Grays Harbor, including Hoquiam WTP, possibly Ocean Shores and the North Jetty, and Bottle Beach; tidal timelines will determine the specific locations. Lodging is on your own, but participants on the pelagic tour are suggested to stay in Westport area as we meet on the boat the next morning by 06:10. Those not going on the pelagic trip can agree on when and where to meet on 9/18.

9/18 is the pelagic trip with Westport Seabirds <http://westportseabirds.com/possible-species/> from 06:30 to 15:30. Once back on shore, we will have an opportunity to bird areas around Westport briefly before dinner.

9/19 will include more birding from Westport with travel south to Tokeland and other locations around Willapa Bay before returning home by 6:00 pm via SR4.

Spotting scopes highly encouraged and bring Discover Pass if you have one for state parks visits. Participants on the pelagic tour should bring motion sickness medication unless you have a positive track record on the open ocean without medication. This link could be helpful to prepare: <http://westportseabirds.com/preparing-for-a-pelagic-trip/>

Limit of 5 cars, 12 total participants. Contact Randy with any questions about field trip registration.

Fall Birding and Safety

When planning fall field trips it is helpful to consider conflicting uses of areas where safety can be an issue. Management agencies can change access seasonally for species protection during the breeding season or critical wintering areas. Considering both open range and forested areas, State-managed big game seasons often have a progression from archery to muzzleloader to modern rifle, giving the most primitive weapon the first chance where the animals “learn avoidance or escape” each year. So why does this matter to us? Most archery hunters won’t shoot beyond 60 yards; muzzleloader: about 100 yards; modern rifle: way, way farther! We’re best not spending time up Larch Mountain once the rifle season starts in October. And as waterfowl head south, we need to consider both safety and courtesy to those using areas with dedicated hunting programs. Ridgefield NWR has the hunt area separated from other public uses; Shillapoo Wildlife Area is a popular area for both pheasant and waterfowl hunting. During the first two weeks of September I met early goose and dove hunters in the area. We will not schedule field trips during regular hunt season in areas where we might expect conflicts. And as you bird on your own, please consider both the safety and courtesy factors where both public and private land hunting is going on.

And these are pulled from the WDFW website for hunting seasons, including dates for youth and other designated hunter categories (local areas) as potential hunter-birder conflict periods:

Mourning Dove	9/1-10/30
Band-tailed Pigeon	9/15-9/23
Youth duck and goose	9/21, 2/1
Deer muzzleloader	9/28-10/6
Elk muzzleloader	10/5-10/11, 11/27-12/12
Duck	10/12-10/20, 10/23-1/26
Goose	10/12-10/27, 11/20-1/12
Deer (modern)	10/12-10/31, 11/14-11/17
Elk (modern)	11/2-11/13
Pheasant	youth 9/14-9/15, 65+ 9/16-9/20, general 9/21-12/15
Quail	9/21-11/30
Grouse	9/15-1/15
Fox, raccoon, cottontail, hare	9/1-3/15



Northern Pintail in flight



Photo by Bobby Nicks/Audubon Photography Awards (x2)

Wilson Cady's Afield

I did very little birding this Summer, after the strong wind-storm in January we started doing a lot of cleaning-up of downed trees and limbs from that weather event. This expanded into a major project of reducing fire danger by thinning and pruning the forest we had planted over the last fifty years after our homeowner's insurance company decided to cancel our policy based on satellite views of our property.

For any unusual birds in this report, I use the following rarity codes which are used on the state checklist as well as on each of the 39 county checklists available at:

www.wabirder.com

- (1) Common,
- (2) Uncommon
- (3) Harder to find, usually seen annually,
- (4) Rare, 5+ records,
- (5) Fewer than 5 records

June 14, a singing **AMERICAN REDSTART** (5) was found in the Vancouver Lake lowlands by Cindy McCormack



American Redstart

Marti Phillips/Audubon Photography Awards

June 25, while hiking the Grouse Vista Trail on Silver Star Mountain, Don Rose heard the song and call of 2 **ROCK WRENS** (5) near Pyramid Rock which is in Clark County. I have also found them there several times in the past.

July 3, Judy Bufford photographed a male **ROSE-BREADED GROSBEAK** (5) at her Clark County home bird feeder.

July 11, On Larch Mountain near the Mountain View 4x4 Trailhead a family of **ROCK WRENS** (5) with 3 fledglings were found by Jim Danzenbaker in jumbled rocks along the road to Wren Rock about .3 miles from Migration Corner. While these wrens have been seen in Clark County on Silver Star Mountain, this may be the first confirmed nesting of them in the county.

July 29, Cindy McCormack and Les Carlson found a calling **GRAY CATBIRD** at the St. Cloud Wayside this is a new location for them in Skamania County.

July 30, an **EASTERN KINGBIRD** (5) was found by John Davis and seen later by Susan Striffler and Brad Bogus on Strawberry Island, Skamania County.

Aug. 10, Robert Flores found a **BAIRD'S SANDPIPER** (3) where the Laframbois Road ends in Vancouver Lake.

Aug. 13, On Strawberry Island in Skamania County, John Davis found and photographed two **RED-SHOULDERED HAWKS** (4) perched in a snag near the bench overlooking the side channel on the south side of the loop trail, this species is occasionally seen at this time of year.

Migrant shorebirds pass through our area from July through September, and waterfowl begin arriving here from their northern breeding grounds at the end of August. By early September, Rufous Hummingbirds will be gone along with many of the swallows and other insectivorous birds. This changing of our local bird population will continue through October and our birding focus will shift to wintering waterfowl and raptors along with any wandering species that show up. Climate change and the nationwide loss of many wetlands and marshes will shift populations of wintering birds and may continue to bring more unusual species to our area.

Here are some ways that you can follow the migration online. You don't need to sign up to eBird to view the sightings reports or other data posted there, just go to their site, click on Explore and put in the county you are interested in. Click on Recent Sightings and see what other

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people are reporting or at the top of the county page click on All Years and then on Bar Charts and you will get a chart that shows when each species is usually here. [eBird Pacific Northwest - Discover a new world of birding...](#)

A very interesting site to follow is [Birdcast](#), which tracks the radar images of birds in migration. Most migrants move at night starting at about dusk, so if you put in the date of the day before you go birding you will have an estimate of how many birds passed over your county overnight, how high they were flying and at what speed and in which direction.

I recommend going to Washington Birder and downloading a bird checklist for your county. Each of the 39 counties in Washington has a checklist available that includes an abundance code for each species in that county. [Washington Birder \(wabirder.com\)](#)

Please continue to send me your sightings or enter them into eBird for use in this column and the year list project of compiling all the species seen in each county by anyone this year. Since the last newsletter was published in June, 10 bird species have been added to the Clark County list for the 2024 Washington County Cumulative Year List Project raising it to 219 for the year, and in Skamania County 20 birds were added to that list bringing it to 188. These lists of all the birds reported in each county are updated every two months and can be seen at [Washington Birder \(wabirder.com\)](#)

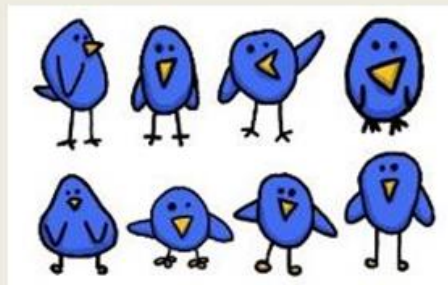


American Pipit in fall foliage—Mt Rainier

Photo: Don Rose

September 2024

Vancouver Audubon Activities Calendar



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 First of Month Bird Walk - Vancouver Lake	2	3 Chapter Meeting and Program - Clark Conservation District on Sustainable Agriculture	4	5	6	7 Bird Walk at Burnt Bridge Creek
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Young Birders' Club Bird Walk
15	16	17 YBC Meeting	18	19	20	21
		Field Trip to Grays Harbor	Field Trip to Grays Harbor	Field Trip to Grays Harbor		
22	23	24	25 Woodland Bottoms and Kalama	26	27	28 Bird Walk at Steigerwald National Wildlife Refuge
29	30					

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