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#### **Celebrating Young Talent: Results of the 2025 Youth Photography Contest** By Ken Pitts

We were thrilled to announce the winners of the 2025 Vancouver Audubon Society (VAS) Youth Photography Contest at an awards ceremony at Cascade Park Library on June 25<sup>th</sup>. This was the first year VAS combined efforts and teamed with two generous corporate sponsors, Columbia Credit Union and HD Aluminum Prints, to host the contest. There was a total of 216 eligible photos entered by 62 youth 8 – 18 years of age. The participation nearly tripled in comparison to the previous years of the contest prior to VAS sponsorship.

Photos taken at Steigerwald Lake NWR from June 1 2024 to May 31 2025 were judged in four separate categories/ themes: "SmartPhone Nature," "Plants, Animals, & Fungi," "People in Nature," and "Landscape". There were 17 participating judges (included VAS members, Steigerwald Photography Group members, and a HD Aluminum Prints representative) who viewed the photos in each category anonymously, decided first which 10 photos should proceed, and then ranked them by their preference in the final round. There was no conversation between judges during the two rounds that produced these results without any ties. In addition to cash prizes, the top 3 winners in each category received a 12 x 18 Aluminum Print and the next 3 winners received a 12 x 18 paper print of their photo. The winner in the People's Choice award received the most online votes in that category. (continued on page 9)



Congratulations to the 2025 winning youth!

Photo Credit: Beth Marlin Lichter



#### The Birding World and Southwest Washington Lose a Titan

Just one month after Vancouver Audubon highlighted Sherry and Arden Hagen's contributions to birding in southwest Washington and beyond in the May 2025 issue of The Columbia Flyway, Sherry passed away while traveling on a birding trip in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. Her obituary was printed in The Columbian newspaper on July 26, 2025 after she passed on June 22, 2025. Sherry's many accomplishments are detailed in these two highlights of her life, but what stood out was her lifelong passion for birding and her commitment to helping birds and spreading the word about birds through her volunteer work at VAS. As Newsletter editor for 30 years and through teaching bird identification for 20 years, as well as participating on many field trips for VAS, she helped highlight and preserve our local bird population. She will be missed.



## VAS to Host World Migratory Bird Day Event September 27 Klineline Pond County Park 9 am—2 pm

Vancouver Audubon Society is again hosting an event in celebration of the spectacular feat of bird migration. Last year we held this event at a park in Battle Ground. This year we will host the event at Klineline Pond at the east end of Salmon Creek Greenway. In addition to celebrating bird migration, the day is also an opportunity to learn about the conservation needs that support bird migration: clean and available water sources, plants, insects and habitats. Joining us will be the Water Resources Education Center

and WSU Vancouver Master Gardener representatives.

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Tom and Jean help visitors to booth

Our day will include bird walks, games such as The Migration Game, where you are the bird facing obstacles trying to reach your destination, and Nature Bingo where you try to find 23 things in your surroundings to fill out your card. Enter your completed Bingo card to enter a drawing for a prize. We will also have other interactive activities such as binocular use, bird spotting with scopes, nest box building, and making cone feeders.

This is a family-friendly event, with food, games, prizes, and more! There's no cost to attend and no registration necessary. All ages are welcome. We hope to see you there!

Volunteers Needed: If you or someone you know would like to help with this event, please contact Becky Boley at communityoutreach@vancouveraudubon.org. Birding experience is not necessary!



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### Conservation News

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## House Funding Bill Chips Away at National Wildlife Refuges with Deep Cuts & Damaging Riders by National Wildlife Refuge Association

The House Appropriations Committee advanced its Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies spending bill for Fiscal Year 2026 — and while it wasn't as extreme as the slash-and-burn bill the President had proposed, it would still deliver a severe setback to the National Wildlife Refuge System. The bill proposes a \$22 million cut to Refuge System operations and includes a range of dangerous policy riders that would undermine wildlife conservation across the country. On a good note, the bill maintains funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund, one of the most important tools for land acquisition.

"The Refuge System is already reeling from hiring freezes, early retirements, resignations, a ballooning deferred maintenance backlog, and trying to figure out how to cover staff buyouts—often with funding allocations released just one month at a time," said Desirée Sorenson-Groves, President & CEO of the National Wildlife Refuge Association. "While this bill isn't as draconian as the President's budget request, it still undercuts core American conservation efforts when we can least afford it."

The bill would reduce National Wildlife Refuge System funding from \$527 million in FY 2025 to \$505.7 million in FY 2026—a 4% cut. This would take the Refuge System back to roughly where it was over 15 years ago. The Refuge System was funded at \$503 million in FY 2010 - adjusted for inflation, that would be at least \$731 million today.

"National wildlife refuges are a uniquely American idea—public lands managed not for profit, but for the protection of life itself," Sorenson-Groves added. "Fully funding the Refuge system is a reaffirmation of who we are as a nation."

Harmful Riders That Undercut Wildlife & Refuges

On top of the funding cuts, the bill includes a long list of damaging "policy riders"—non-budget directives that weaken protections for wildlife and public lands. Among the most concerning: Prevents the listing of species while delisting others; Delists gray wolves and the Greater Yellowstone grizzly bear population while preventing protections for greater sage grouse, wolverine, lesser prairie-chicken, and northern long-eared bat.

Take Action

Request full funding for the National Wildlife Refuge System and rejection of the policy riders.

If residing in the Third District, contact Representative Marie Gluesenkamp Perez

If residing in the Fourth District, contact Representative Dan Newhouse

Contact Senator Patty Murray

Contact Senator Maria Cantwell

## Support the Roadless Area Conservation Act and Make Roadless Area Protection Permanent by Susan Saul

On June 23, Secretary of Agriculture Brooke Rollins announced plans to rescind the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Rule—a critical safeguard that has protected over 58 million acres of national forest land nationwide from logging and road-building for over 25 years.

These forests—many of which include our last remaining old-growth—have stayed intact because this rule kept them off-limits to destructive activities like road building and logging. These wild lands afford abundant opportunities for wilderness and backcountry outdoor recreation, are essential habitat for native plants, fish, birds and wildlife, and pro-



### Conservation News (cont)

tect clean drinking water that ultimately flows into the faucets of millions of Americans.

Here in Washington, nearly 2 million acres of roadless forest are at risk, including beloved destinations in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest like Siouxon, Silver Star, Bourbon (Dry Creek), Big Lava Bed (Grassy Knoll-Big Huckleberry), Gotchen Creek, Pompey and Dark Divide. In total, there are 30 inventoried roadless areas totaling almost 215,000 acres in the Gifford Pinchot. View a map here.

Roadless areas are defined as undeveloped areas at least 5,000 acres in size, or smaller than 5,000 acres if they are adjacent to Wilderness, such as Red Mountain south of the Indian Heaven Wilderness. In 2001, President Bill Clinton protected these roadless areas with an executive order establishing the Roadless Area Conservation Rule.

Unlike laws passed by Congress, administrative rules can be undone by a sitting President. In fact, during his first term, President Trump removed Roadless Rule protections for 9 million acres in Alaska's Tongass National Forest in 2020. That repeal was then reversed by President Biden in 2023.

To stop this back-and-forth and make protections permanent, Senator Maria Cantwell (D-WA) and Representative Andrea Salinas (D-OR-06) have introduced the Roadless Area Conservation Act of 2025 (HR 3930). Their bill would codify the rule into law to prevent future rollbacks. It already has 37 cosponsors—but we need all 10 of Washington's U.S. Representatives to support it, including Representatives Marie Gluesenkamp Perez and Dan Newhouse.

Roadless protections are one of the last, best tools we have to protect our remaining old-growth forests and the native plant and bird habitat they offer, salmon streams, clean drinking water, and backcountry recreational areas.

**Your Voice Needed**—Contact your U.S. House Representative and ask them to cosponsor HR 3930: the Roadless Area Conservation Act of 2025.

- --Representative Marie Gluesenkamp Perez
- --Representative Dan Newhouse

Let's make these protections permanent—for us, and for future generations.

#### **New Restoration Project Proposed in Vancouver Lowlands**

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife is proposing a new fish habitat restoration project in the Vancouver Lowlands near Frenchman's Bar Park to improve downstream Columbia River salmonid migration from February to June. A hybrid public meeting on July 29 at the Ridgefield WDFW office presented the project, including timelines and plans to form an advisory working group that will begin in January. In addition to landowners, tribes, and public agencies, this group will include representation of user groups that include birdwatching, waterfowl hunting, recreational fishing and others. Cindy and Randy both attended the meeting and are submitting applications to be part of the working group. Interviews in the fall will determine the working group that will meet from January 2026 to March 2027.

There are three stated objectives of the project:

- 1.- Reestablish anadromous fish use
- 2.- Reduce invasive vegetation and enhance native vegetation
- 3.- Improve and maintain waterfowl and sandhill crane use

Discussion of the primary purpose, to reestablish off-channel downstream migration of first-year salmonids, pointed to the success of the Steigerwald Lake reconnection project. There are several differences due to how State and Federal refuge management mandate and/or preclude certain uses between Steigerwald Lake and the Shillapoo Wildlife Area that include seasonal access, hunting, fishing, and free-roam hiking.

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For a more complete description of the project, go to the following website:

Shillapoo Habitat and Reconnection Project - South | Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife



## VAS Programs

#### Tuesday, September 2, 2025

#### The Three B's of the Backyard: Birds, Bees, and Bats

Speaker Brandon Burger, Backyard Bird Shop Vancouver

Brandon Burger is a wildlife enthusiast and lifelong conservationist with a Bachelor of Science in Biology from Eastern Washington University, focusing on mammalogy, botany, and ornithology. He has worked at Backyard Bird Shop for 10 years.

#### October 7, 2025—FOTOFEST 2025 and Photography Tips from Jon Pugmire

A show of member-only photographs from the current year, concentrating mostly on birds, but could be landscapes or other wildlife. I encourage members to submit your favorite pictures taken in 2025 (Jan. 1 to present) from anywhere you have been in the world (including your backyard). Please submit your photos to drose@vancouveraudubon.org by **October 1** to be included. I will collect the photos into a slideshow to be presented at this live meeting, and each photographer will present their pictures with a few words about the shot/ story/location behind them. If you don't want to present your own photos, provide me the information and I will gladly give the rundown. Number of photos per person will depend on the total number submitted and the number of participants. Photos will be used in future newsletters. Photographer Jon Pugmire will also join us.

#### November 4, 2025—To Be Determined

**December 2, 2025—50th Anniversary Celebration!** All members should keep their calendars open for this celebration of 50 years of accomplishments as an Audubon Chapter in Washington state. There will be speakers, refreshments, and recognition of past presidents. Stay tuned for more information.

#### **MEETING LOCATION:**

Evergreen Public Schools Administration
13413 NE LeRoy Haagen Memorial Drive

Vancouver, WA

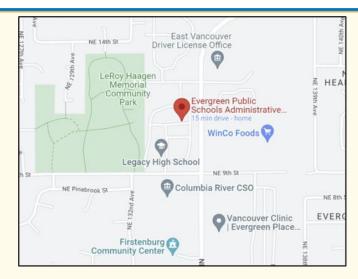
6:30 pm - 6:45 pm - Social time, share bird sightings.

6:45 pm - 7:00 pm - Announcements

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 our Program Chair for more information at meetings@vancouveraudubon.org. Have ideas for a speaker? Please send all topic, speaker, and program suggestions to the above address.



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).



Randy Hill Randy.Hill.98642@gmail.com

## VAS Bird Walks & Field Trips

Please visit the <u>VAS website</u> 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.

#### Monday, September 1—Sams Walker Trail

First-of-Month Bird Walk

Meeting time: 7:30 am Leader: Cindy McCormack



A scene from Sams Walker

Photo by Jackson Wolfe Fotofest 2024

It's migration time! Let's check out the activity along this easy trail through multiple types of habitat in the Columbia Gorge. For those interested in continuing after the hike, we can also check other locations along Skamania Landing and at Beacon Rock State Park. Parking at Sams Walker Day Use area does require a recreation pass for parking (NW Forest Pass, Interagency (Annual, Senior, Military, Access, 4th Grade) Pass). If you do not have an annual or lifetime pass, day use passes may be purchased online at the USFS site. If you plan on visiting Beacon Rock State Park afterwards, a Discover Pass is required.

Sams Walker trail is mostly compacted soil and gravel trail with very little elevation change. Dress for the weather, bring water, sun protection, and a snack. Don't forget your binoculars! If you plan on continuing to Beacon Rock SP day use area, bring a lunch.

## Pelagic and Coastal Field Trip September 20-22 Westport, WA and other locations in southwest Washington

While the pelagic trip on 9/21 is full, there are openings for birding near Westport the day before on 9/20, after the boat trip ends around 4pm on 9/21 to join the group around Grays Harbor, and heading home on 9/22 to Midway Beach, Tokeland and around Willapa Bay. Contact Randy Hill at 360-975-2573 for more details if you are interested in going.

#### Naturalist led bird walks at Ridgefield NWR

Birding with Robert Vanderkamp—Saturday September 13, 8 am.

Upcoming walks meet at the <u>Carty Unit of the Refuge</u> and are limited to 12 people. These generally last two to three hours but you are welcome to stay as long or short as works for you. Walks are free but the \$3 refuge daily fee does apply. For more information about the fee and rules of the refuge <u>click here</u>.

#### Birding with Ron Escano - Saturday September 6th, 8 am

Ron has years of experience guiding local birding groups. Whether you are new to birding, are looking to sharpen your skills, or just hope to find a group to bird with, Ron is a great person to spend a morning with. His pace is relaxed, but thorough, making sure everyone has seen or heard each species. Ron will help new birders focus on key identification points to build their bird knowledge while sorting through the nuances of sparrow calls for more advanced birders.



## VAS Bird Walks & Field Trips

### **Eastern Gorge Birding Opportunity**

The annual Klickitat County Fall Bird Count is almost here, taking place on Saturday, September 20. This long-running community science event has been held for more than 30 years, providing valuable data to track trends in local bird populations. Recent national studies have documented alarming declines in many avian species, which makes our local count more important than ever. This year's results will be especially telling, as we'll also be able to observe how recent forest fires may have affected bird activity and habitat in our region.

Unfortunately, this date overlapped with our Pelagic Trip so Randy is unable to host a group that direction. If you are interested in participating, please let Marc Harvey < oakharvest@gmail.com > know as soon as you can commit to participating as it greatly facilitates his organizing the event.

#### **Other Opportunities**

Randy will be doing some short-notice field trips he will put on the website once weather patterns are clearer. They include Steigerwald Lake maybe on 8/28 or 8/29, Woodland Bottoms on September 10 or 11, and possibly Willow Grove in early October, sometime after the Ridgefield Birdfest.

## Forestry for the Birds: Columbia Stock Ranch Tour Friday, September 26, 8 am—12:30 pm

Our own Cindy McCormack will be one of the facilitators at this event in Rainier, Oregon to explore practical ways to enhance bird habitat in Oregon's forests and working lands. For more information, go to <a href="Forestry for the Birds: Co-lumbia Stock Ranch Tour - Forest Stewards Guild">Forestry for the Birds: Co-lumbia Stock Ranch Tour - Forest Stewards Guild</a>. Geared towards landowners, land managers, and bird enthusiasts. No experience necessary and it's free.

### **Upcoming Bird Festivals in Washington**

Interested in exploring new areas for birds and possibly making some new friends in the process? Washington State has many opportunities to attend bird festivals each month, both east and west of the Cascade Range. Here are some to choose from in the near future.

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#### September

Wings Over Willapa will not be happening this year (due to staff shortages at the refuge), but Friends of Willapa Refuge is planning on having some sort of weekend celebration of Refuge Week in October. Check their website.

#### October

<u>Birdfest & Bluegrass, Ridgefield National Wildlife Area</u>—October 4, 2025

This one is right in our backyard.

For a full list of Bird Festivals throughout the year go to <u>Audubon Washington Bird Festivals</u>.



Marbled Godwit
Photography Awards

Joseph Mahoney/Audubon



#### **VAS at Battle Ground Pride Festival**

By Becky Boley

Vancouver Audubon participated with the 2025 Battle Ground Pride Festival on August 16. It was a beautiful summer day for a fun and joyful event. We look forward to attending in future years.

This family-friendly festival consisted of live entertainment and many organizations that serve and uplift the region's diverse communities. VAS visited with over 70 attendees about what the Vancouver Audubon organization does: bird walks, monthly meetings and conservation activities.

This was an especially fun event to participate with because the event itself was not nature or bird focused. As a result, our conversations about who VAS was one that we had with most visitors. We captured names and emails from more than a dozen people who are interested in attending our monthly bird walks! It was great to interact with people who were interested to learn about us and many wanted to talk about the birds they see on their property.



Hannah Kornblath and Ken Pitts sharing information about birds

## Lights Out for Migration in September

Peak migration in Washington state begins in September. We can expect red alerts for high migration by mid-September, which will continue through the middle of October.

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.

There are some great online resources to track bird migration in real time:

Cornell Lab's <u>BirdCast</u> program shows night-time migration patterns in near-real time, based on radar measurements.

The <u>Migration Dashboard</u> shows the esti mated number of birds flying over a particular county in the lower 48 U.S. states on any night.

The National Audubon Society's <u>Bird Migration Explorer</u> combines data from actual tracked birds and eBird information in an informative mapping tool. You can track which species pass through our area and where they are going or coming from.



Long-billed Curlew Joseph Messina/ Audubon Photography Awards



## Youth Photo Contest Winners (cont)

The winning photos can be viewed in a gallery on our <u>VAS webpage</u> (which also shares information about the 2026 VAS Youth Photography Contest themed "Nature Photography both Urban and Wild"). The top three photos in each category can be seen in a traveling display that switches locations each month. It was featured in July at Cascade Park Community Library. During August, the photos are at Vancouver Mall; in September at Camas Library; in October at Fisher's Landing New Seasons; in November at the Port of Camas/Washougal; and finishes the tour in December at Columbia Credit Union. Kudos to VAS volunteer, Karen York, for both scheduling the tour and physically hauling and setting up the displays at each venue! Winners are listed below and continued on Page 9.

#### **SMARTPHONE**

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Daven Caine	"I Caught a Fish…on Camera"	\$200.00	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Aaron Caine	"Dew Drops"	\$100.00	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Evan Mulholland	"Sun on a Stem"	\$50.00	
4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Ammon Caine	"Licking Up Nectar"	Honorable mention	
5 <sup>th</sup> Place	John Mendoza	"Pleasant Walk to the Forest"	Honorable mention	
People's Choice	Aaria Lankireddy	"Spikes of Beauty"	\$100.00	

#### PLANTS, ANIMALS, & FUNGI

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	John Mendoza	"A Majestic Pair"	\$200.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Tyler Martin	"A Cute Opossum"	\$100.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	John Mendoza	"A Keen Coyote"	\$50.00
4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Evan Bouchard	"Singing Spotted Towhee"	Honorable mention
5 <sup>th</sup> Place	John Mendoza	"That's One Relaxed Goose"	Honorable mention
People's Choice	Aaria Lankireddy	"Ready to Land"	\$100.00

#### PEOPLE IN NATURE

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Emmett Caine	"Big Camera for a Little Boy"	\$200.00	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Daven Caine	"Calm Clouds"	\$100.00	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Shaunak Deshpande	"Miles to Go"	\$50.00	
4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Aaron Caine	"Head in the Clouds"	Honorable mention	
5 <sup>th</sup> Place	Emily Orazio	"Whimsy"	Honorable mention	
People's Choice	Evan Mulholland	"Early Evening Stroll"	\$100.00	

#### **LANDSCAPE**

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Emmett Caine	"Flying Sky High"	\$200.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Daven Caine	"Reflected Refuge"	\$100.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	John Mendoza	"A Fading Light"	\$50.00
4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Shalaka Deshpande	"Nature's Canvas"	Honorable mention
5 <sup>th</sup> Place	Avery Jones	"Hood and Crown"	Honorable mention
People's Choice	Aaria Lankireddy	"Even the Snow Needs Some Green"	\$100.00



## Youth Photo Contest Winners (cont from page 9)

Vancouver Audubon board has decided to expand this year's contest to include nature photos taken in Clark, Klickitat, and Skamania counties. We hope to make participation more inclusive of families less likely to travel to Steigerwald, but who have access to nature in their neighborhoods. One of the four categories is "Steigerwald Lake NWR" and honors the wishes of The Gorge Refuge Stewards who granted VAS the money to help fund the contest in 2024 for ap-

proximately five years.

Both HD Aluminum Prints and Columbia Credit Union have supplied most of the prize money and gorgeous prints for the last three years of the contest. Randy Hopfer, owner of HD Aluminum Prints, said, "It just makes me so happy to see this contest increasing with both participation and quality of submitted photographs! This year it was more difficult to judge because there were so many quality shots to choose from, a good problem to have."

We look forward to seeing photos submitted by youth from now until May 31 of 2026! Put June 24, 2026 on your calendar and come enjoy a fun award reception at Cascade Park Community Library. VAS is in the process of building a contest-supporting youth nature photography group that will meet in the field monthly to learn about our region's birds, how to photograph them, and then meet Zoom to get feedback about their photos. We are hoping VAS wildlife experts and photographers will join us



Emmett Caine receiving his 1<sup>st</sup> place award in the "People in Nature" from VAS president, Tom Tinsley. Photo by Beth Marlin Lichter

in the field to help mentor youth in learning more about our local wildlife and their tendencies. If you are interested in being a part of the group, contact Ken Pitts at kenp@vancouveraudubon.org.

### Public Engagement—Volunteer Opportunities

We had great days at the Battle Ground Pride Festival in August and the Vancouver Pollinator Festival in June interacting with visitors, kids and adults alike. We seek to inform them about who Vancouver Audubon is, what we do, and share information about regional birding, bird habitat, and conservation efforts. We also offer a few activities at these events, which can include building a birdhouse, coloring a bird picture, and making bookmarks with bird stamps and/or stickers. We'd love to see you as an attendee or volunteer!

Volunteer commitments are generally 2 hours. Event times are listed, but we also have set-up and take down to do, which is usually 30-45 minutes before and after the event. If you're interested in volunteering with us, please email Tom Tinsley at <a href="mailto:tinsley@vancouveraudubon.org">ttinsley@vancouveraudubon.org</a> and he will add your name to our list and can address any questions.

Date	Event	Where	Event	# volunteers
			Time	
Sept. 27	World Migratory Bird Day	Klineline Pond Park	9a – 2p	12-15
October 4, 2025	Ridgefield Bird Fest	Carty Unit or River 'S' scopes	8a – 1p	3-4



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
September 2025 Events Calendar						
	Field Trip— Sams Walker, Skamania	Program Mtg Birds, Bees, and Bats	3	4	5	Ridgefield NWR Bird Walk
7	8	9	10	11	12	Ridgefield NWR Bird Walk
14	15	16	17	18	19	Pelagic Trip- Westport area birding
Pelagic Trip and Grays Harbor Birding	Pelagic Trip- Willapa Area and return	23	24	25	26	Volunteer World Migratory Bird Day
28	29	30	Oct 1	2	3	Volunteer Ridgefield Birdfest and Bluegrass



