

St. Louis Audubon Society Fall 2008 - Spring 2009 Calendar

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BOARD MEETINGS

The St. Louis Audubon Society (SLAS) Board of Directors meets at 7:00PM at Powder Valley Nature Center on the first Tuesday of each month, except July. For more info on Board meetings, call President Dave Rogles C (636) 541-1069 or email at suneska@gmail.com.

CHAPTER WEBSITE

To view the CHAPTER NEWSLETTER and the latest information regarding chapter activities, learn about our chapter goals in the chapter strategic plan, and find other bird and wildlife links, visit www.stlouisaudubon.org. For questions regarding the website, contact webmaster Diane Pierce at the website webmaster@stlouisaudubon.org or call H-636-458-1892.

MONTHLY PROGRAMS & ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

Monthly programs allow St. Louis Audubon members, and the general public, to enjoy presentations on a variety of nature and conservation related topics. Board members are typically present and will provide short updates on current Society activities and ways to get involved. All meetings are normally held at the Powder Valley Nature Center or the Creve Coeur Government Center. Program dates for 2008-2009 are listed on the calendar on the other side. Details and featured speakers are announced on our website and in our newsletter, or contact Mitch Leachman at H-(314) 599-7390.

LOCAL HALF-DAY BIRDING TRIPS & *SPECIAL FIELD TRIPS

Most local half-day birding trips end by noon. Bring binoculars and bird books and meet at the designated site—see sidebar for directions. For info, contact Pat Lueders H-(314) 961-6614 plueders479@aol.com Special Field Trips indicated by * require reservations.

Date	Time	Place	Leader
Sep. 6	8 am	Tower Grove Park—1/2 d/w/gb	T. Berger
Sep 20 *	6:30 am	Carlyle Lake Pelagic-RR-ad/cp/w/bl/frs	J Eades
Oct 4 *	8 am	BK Leach/Kings Lake Unit-RR/cp/ad/h/bl/frs (limited to 25)	J Uffman
Oct 11	8 am	Two Rivers/RMBS-cp/ad/w/bl/frs	Mike Thelen
Oct 22(W)	9 am	Busch/Weldon Spring-w/bl/frs/gb	Pat Lueders
Nov 1-2*	Weekend	Southwest MO-RR/cp/h/frs	Joe Eades
Nov 1	8 am	Horseshoe Lake area-1/2 d/frs	Paul Bauer
Nov 12(W)	9 am	Riverlands/Columbia Bottom-1/2 d/w/frs	T Berger
Nov 15	8 am	Busch/Weldon Springs-1/2 d/w/frs/gb	M Thelen
Dec 6	9 am	BK Leach/Hwy 79-ad/cp/bl/w/frs	Pat Lueders
Dec 13	9 am	Riverlands-1/2 d/w/frs	Mike Thelen

Jan 10	9 am	Riverlands-1/2 d/w/frs	Mike Thelen
Feb 7	8 am	Riverlands/Columbia Bottom-ad/frs	Bill Rowe
Feb 21	1 pm	Baldwin Lake/Peabody Coal-cp/frs	T Berger
Mar 7	5 pm	Busch Woodcock/Owl Prowl-frs	Pat Lueders
Mar 21 *	3 pm	Busch Woodcock/Owl Prowl-Beginners Only RR (limited to 20)/w/frs/gb	Josh Uffman
Mar 21	8 am	BK Leach/Hwy 79-ad/cp/bl/w/frs	Pat Lueders
Mar 28	8 am	Horseshoe Lake/RMBS-ad/bl/frs/gb	Paul Bauer
Apr 1 (W)	9 am	Voelkerding Slough-1/2 d/frs	Pat Lueders
Apr 4	8 am	Mallard Lake-1/2 d/h/gb	Mary Dueren
Apr 11	8 am	BK Leach/Firma Rd.-ad/cp/bl/w/frs	John Solodar
Apr 18	8 am	Babler State Park-1/2 d/h	Jim Malone/Josh U.
Apr 25	7:30 am	Shaw Nature Reserve-ad/bl/cp/h/gb	C Alwood
May 2	7:30 am	Columbia Bottom/RMBS-ad/bl/h/frs	Bill Rowe
May 6 (W)	7:30 am	Emmenegger Park-1/2 d/h/gb	John Solodar
May 9	7:30 am	Forest Park-1/2 d/h	Bob Bailey
May13 (W)	7:30 am	Tower Grove Park-1/2 d/w	Pat L/Bill Rudden
May 16	7:30 am	Cuivre River SP-ad/cp/h/bl/frs	J. Malone/J. Eades
May 23	7:30 am	Riverlands/Columbia Bottom-1/2d/frs	J Uffman
May 30	7:30 am	Lost Valley/Katy Trail-1/2 d/h/gb/frs	M Grant
Jun 6	7:30 am	Columbia Bottom/RMBS-1/2 d/w	Pat Lueders
Jun 20	5:45 am	Blue Grosbeak Trail/Lost Valley-1/2 d/h	M Grant
July 25	7 am	BK Leach-ad/cp/h/bl/frs	Josh Uffman

* Starred trips require reservations and are limited to number of participants -see calendar, SLAS web site, or MO.BIRDS for more information

FIELD TRIP DESCRIPTION KEY

RR—reservations required; please consult the newsletter, MO.BIRDS announcement, or the website 1/2 d—this is scheduled for a half-day trip, usually ending before noon
ad—this is an all day trip usually ending in the late afternoon
cp---we will have a carpool option to sites that are farther than 30 miles from central St. Louis County. The meeting place for those trips will be listed under the Event Locations section of the calendar.
w---this trip involves light walking over smooth trails
h--- moderate hiking over an extended period w/ some rough terrain
bl—bring your lunch and water since food might not be available for purchase-if stopping for lunch, this will be noted in trip announcement
gb—trip is very good for beginners but all levels of birders will be present
frs—please bring your frs radio set at station 11/22 to stay in contact

OTHER CHAPTER EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Operation Clean Stream--Aug 23, 2008. Help clean up Meramec River. Meet at Rte 66 SP. Call Jerry Castillon at H-(636) 391-7586.
Member Meeting/St. Louis Audubon Society—Oct 21, 2008. Meet fellow members of our chapter and find out about activities available to members. For more info, call Anne Rankin Horton-H-(636) 256-3402.
Audubon Society of Missouri Fall Meeting--Sep 26-28, 2008. Lake of the Ozarks SP (Camp Clover Pt). Call Sue Gustafson at H-(314)968-8128.
Holiday Open House with WGNSS--Dec 7, 2008, 1:30 to 4:00 pm. The Green Center in University City. See website for directions & details.
Eagle Days at Chain of Rocks Bridge--TBD. See eagles in the wild with St. Louis Audubon volunteer naturalists at spotting scopes on bridge. Dress appropriately for weather. See newsletter/website for details.
Joint General Membership Meeting/Audubon & WGNSS--Feb 17, 2009, 7:30 pm. See newsletter/website or contact Mitch H-(314) 599-7390.
Annual Dinner--Sat, April 11, 2009. See newsletter or website for details on special program at this banquet. For details, contact Mitch Leachman at H-(314) 599-7390.
Wings of Spring/Confluence Birding Festival—Riverlands Migratory Bird Sanctuary, Fri-Sat April 24-25, 2009. See website for more details.
International Migratory Bird Day Celebration--May 09, 2009.

North American Migration Count--May 09, 2009. Help keep track of Spring migration in St. Louis. Watch website for info.

EVENT LOCATIONS

Babler State Park: Take Hwy 44 to Hwy 109 and go north past Manchester Rd. Take Hwy BA to the park entrance. From I-64, take the Long Rd. exit in Chesterfield Valley and go south to Wild Horse Creek Rd. Turn right and follow this road to Hwy 109. Go left on 109 and take BA to the park entrance. Meet at the Visitor Center's parking lot.

Baldwin Lake(CP): Meet at the commuter lot at Hwy 270 and Hwy 30 west, at 12:00 pm if you wish to car pool. Take Hwy 270 across the Jefferson Barracks Bridge to IL. Take Hwy 3 south to Redbud. Go east on Hwy 154 to Baldwin, IL. Follow the signs in town to Lake Baldwin. Meet at the parking lot inside the gate. Take Hwy 94 south from Hwy 40. About ¼ mile down Hwy 94 there will be a parking lot and gate on your left. Meet in the parking lot.

B.K. Leach/Hwy 79(CP): Meet in the southeast corner of the Dierberg's parking lot at the southwest side of the junction of Hwy 70 and Hwy 79 45 minutes before the start of the trip. Birding will be done along Hwy 79 towards the trip destination.

Busch Conservation Area: Take Hwy 94 south from Hwy 40. About ½ mile down the road, turn right on Hwy D. Go about 1 ½ miles to the entrance on the right. Turn left at the T to Hampton Lake. Meet in the lot.
Carlyle Lake(CP): See trip announcement for meeting place if you wish to car pool. Take I-64 east across the Poplar St. Bridge. Exit I-64 at Hwy 50 east toward Carlyle. Follow Hwy 50 to Hwy 127 and turn left at the junction. Turn right and meet at the McDonald's parking lot.

Columbia Bottom: Off Hwy 270 east, take Riverview Blvd. exit and turn left (north). Go about 3 miles to the entrance on the right and make the first left at Visitor's Center. Meet in the parking lot.

Cuivre River State Park(CP): Meet at the car pool lot on the southeast side of the Hwy 94 exit off Hwy 40.

Emmenegger Park: Go west on Watson Rd., just east of Hwy 44. Turn right onto Geyer Rd. Cross over 44 and make the 1st left onto Craigwold Rd. Follow the road over Hwy 270 and turn left. Park entrance on the right.

Horseshoe Lake area: Take I-70 east across the Poplar St. Bridge. Exit at Hwy 111 (exit 6) and turn left. Go about 2 miles to the State Park entrance. Meet at the 1st parking lot on the right.

Lost Valley Trail: Go south on Hwy 94 from Hwy 40 about 5.7 miles to the Lost Valley Trailhead on the right.

Mallard Lake Trail: Meet at the Lake House Restaurant parking lot. Go west on Hwy 364 to the Maryland Heights Expressway exit. Go north to Creve Coeur Mill Rd. Turn right and go south, cross under Hwy 364, and look for the restaurant/parking lot on your left.

Powder Valley Nature Center: Go west on Watson Rd. just east of Hwy 44. Turn right onto Geyer Rd. Cross over Hwy 44 and make the 1st left onto Craigwold Rd. Follow the road for about 1 mile to the entrance on the right before crossing over Hwy 270.

Riverlands (RMBS): Hwy 367 north from I-270. Turn right on last road before the Alton Bridge. Turn right on the next road to the Teal Pond lot.

Shaw Nature Reserve (CP): Meet at the commuter parking lot at Hwy 44 & Hwy 141, the northwest corner off the north outer road, ½ hour before the trip meeting time. Take I-44 west to Hwy 100 (Gray Summit exit). Turn left back over 44 and then turn right. The entrance is on the immediate left. (\$3 entrance fee without MOBOT garden membership)

Two Rivers NWR(CP): Meet at the Riverlands Teal Pond parking lot (see above) ½ hour before trip meeting time. Cross the Alton bridge and stay left. Take the River Road north through Grafton. Meet at the Gilbert Lake parking lot just north of the entrance to Brussels Ferry

Voelkerding Slough (CP): Meet at Busch Conservation area (see above) at the field trip meeting time.