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Membership Benefits include:

Subscriptions to *Habitat: Journal of Maine Audubon* and *The Harlequin*, newsletter of York County Audubon.

For a subscription to *Audubon*, the magazine of the National Audubon Society, add \$10.

Discounts on Audubon field trips & programs & at Audubon sanctuaries, nature centers & nature stores in Maine & across the country.

Membership Level (circle one)

\$25	Student/Senior/Volunteer
\$35	Individual
\$45	Household
\$65	Contributing
\$100	Patron
\$250	Sustaining
\$500	Benefactor
\$1000	Director's Circle

Please send this form & your check to:

Maine Audubon
20 Gilsland Farm Road
Falmouth, ME 04105

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Field Trips & Meeting are open to the public & free unless otherwise noted. Meeting are held in the Mather Auditorium at Laudholm Farm at the Wells Reserve, 342 Laudholm Farm Rd., Wells ME 04090.

EVENING MEETING PROGRAMS

Come early for social time & refreshments.

7:00pm. Free

Tuesday, May 15: Stratton Island: Maine's Most Diverse Waterbird Colony.

Speaker: Paula Shannon.

Did you know Maine's most diverse waterbird colony sits right in Saco Bay, at Stratton Island? Do you know how YCAS supports this program? Paula Shannon, Seabird Sanctuary Manager for the National Audubon Society's Seabird Restoration Program, will discuss the bird life of Stratton Island and how the National Audubon Society works to protect and enhance waterbird populations on the island. Learn about research currently taking place on Stratton Island, as well as plans for the future. Paula has spent numerous field seasons studying birds and living and working on islands, from Maine to Hawaii and Alaska.

**Tuesday, June 19: ANNUAL MEETING
FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.**

Location: Kennebunkport Conservation Trust, 53 Gravelly Road, Kennebunkport.

6:45pm: Annual Business Meeting.

7:00pm: Social Time & Refreshments.

7:30pm: Program: "Adventure to the Bottom of the World - the Birds & Wildlife of the Southern Ocean & Antarctica" by Jeannette & Derek Lovitch.

Derek & Jeannette Lovitch, of Freeport Wild Bird Supply, spent 3 weeks in November 2010 on a boat touring the islands of the southern ocean and the Antarctic Peninsula. Join us for a multimedia presentation of their voyage which included the Falkland Islands, South Georgia, South Orkney Islands, and the Antarctic Peninsula: penguins, albatrosses, seals, icebergs and so much more! For more information call 967-4486.

Tuesday, September 18: The Joy of Birding . . . Why Birds Do What They Do.

Speaker: Mike Shannon.

Naturalist, educator and registered Maine Guide Mike Shannon will illustrate ways that the knowledge of basic bird behavior enhances our understanding of birds and aids us in identification. Mike is retired from Unity College where he taught ornithology. A former director of the Audubon Ecology Camp in Maine (Hog Island), he has also served as master naturalist for the Massachusetts Audubon Society. Mike has a long history of sharing his passion and enthusiasm for things natural.

Tuesday, October 16: Epic Journeys: Tracking the Migration of Shorebirds in the Western Hemisphere.

Speakers: Shawn Carey & Jim Grady (Migration Productions).

Each year millions of shorebirds make an amazing round-trip journey between the Northern and Southern hemispheres. Migration Productions' newest video, "Epic Journeys," looks at three shorebird species -- Red Knot, Piping Plover and Semipalmated Sandpiper -- and the challenges these species face during each of their monumental annual treks. Migration Productions asks burning questions: What is being done to help protect these shorebirds and their habitat? How can the public help with their conservation? Co-sponsored by the Wells Reserve, this promises to be an outstanding program.

Tuesday, November 20: Mercury in Ecosystems of the Northeast: Songbirds as Sentinels of Contamination.

Speaker: Evan Adams, Migratory Bird Program Director at BRI - the Biodiversity Research Institute in Gorham.

We are aware that mercury is a pollutant. But what do we know about its effects on wildlife? The BRI has recently summarized a decade's worth of research on mercury contamination in songbirds and bats in the Northeast in a report called Hidden Risk. In this talk Evan will discuss how mercury gets into the environment and what the results mean for birds of conservation concern in the Northeast.

YCAS FIELD TRIPS

For information, updates or cancellations, please call the **Contact Person** or check our website: yorkcountyaudubon.org

Saturday, April 28 at 7:30am: Where the Birds Are. Leader: Rob Speirs.

Join our leader on a quest to see as many birds as we can in Cumberland County. Meet at the Saco Park-n-Ride on Industrial Park Rd., off exit 1 on I-95 to car pool. **Contact Person: Bob Watson 251-1135.**

Saturday, May 5 at 7:00am: Intervale Marshes of New Gloucester. Leader: Bill Hancock.

We will search for species characteristic of freshwater wetlands. Waterproof boots may come in handy. **Contact Person: Bill Grabin 985-3342 or (grabin@roadrunner.com).**

BIRDING CHALLENGE: May 18 at 5:00pm to May 19 at 5:00pm. Meet for pizza & countdown at the Wells Reserve at Laudholm at 6:00pm. The important thing is raising money to support our education, conservation & research projects. **For information contact Linda Eastman 286-9586.**

Saturday, June 2 at 7:00am: Brownfield Bog. Leader: Linda Thurston. Meet at the store at the intersection of Rtes. 160 & 113 in East Brownfield. **Contact Person: Marie Jordan 799-1408.**

Saturday, June 9 at 7:30 to 9:30am: Hamilton House & Vaughan Woods in South Berwick. Leader: Scott Richardson. Space is limited, reservation required. Call Historic New England at 201-384-2454.

Saturday, July 14, 10:00am to noon. Bejeweled & Bedazzled at the Savage Preserve in South Berwick. **Leader: Sue Bickford, Wells Reserve.**

The Raymond & Simone Savage Wildlife Preserve is located on Rte. 101 west of Rte. 236, just over the South Berwick/Eliot town line at 15 Dover-Eliot Rd. The property encompasses brook, forest & field. Its diverse habitats could be very rewarding for butterflies, odonates & birds.

Contact Person: Julie Suchecki 510-1323.

Saturday, August 11 at 7:00am: Early Migration at Scarborough Marsh & Pine Point. Leader & Contact Person: Doug Hitchcox 671-0815.

September TBA: Popham Beach. Leader: Mike Fahay. Contact Person: David Doubleday 976-4486.

Saturday, October 27: Sabattus Pond. Leader: Jay Adams. Contact Person: Pat Sanborn 781-9837.

Sunday, November 18 at 7:30am to noon. Rarity Roundup in Southern York County. Leader: Derek Lovitch. Meet at the southbound Kennebunk Rest Area on I-95. **Contact Person: Pat Moynahan 284-5487.**

YCAS WEDNESDAY MORNING BIRD WALKS
Wednesday Birding events are held throughout the year--generally somewhere in York County, and lasting a couple of hours. Beginners are welcome as these events emphasize learning the birds. All participants are emailed trip details a few days prior to the event. Trips are planned to take advantage of weather, tides and other conditions. For more information or to receive notices, please contact coordinator David Doubleday davidd@roadrunner.com.

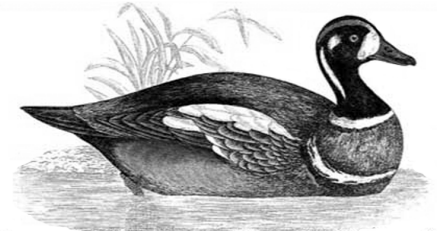
LAUDHOLM FARM SUMMER BIRD WALKS
Wells Reserve: 342 Laudholm Farm Rd., Wells

Saturday, June 9 & 23, July 14 & 28, August 11 & 25
Meet at the parking lot at Laudholm Farm at 7:30am.

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS
York County ~ December 17
Pat Moynahan 254-5487

Biddeford/Kennebunkport ~ December 30
Marie Jordan 799-1408

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