

Pilchuck Audubon Profile

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Calendar

- January 16 Regular meeting. Terry Manthey will be our guest speaker. He is a noted wildlife photographer and tour guide in Alaska. 7:30 pm. Room 308 at Everett Community College.
- January 17 Field trip to Cnamac Point and English Bcom. Meet at 10:00 a.m. at the Bank of Stanwood, Exit 206 on I-5, or at 10:30 at Viking Village in Stanwood. Bring a sack lunch.
- January 25 Field trip to Deering Wildflower Acres. Meet at 9:00 a.m. at the lower parking lot of Everett Community College. Bring a sack lunch.
- January 30 Raptor Identification workshop presented by Dan Svilar at 7:30 p.m. in Room 605 at Everett Community College. This is a good opportunity to get to know your hawks, owls, and eagles better.
- January 31 Field trip to see Eagles of the Skagit. Meet at 10:30 a.m. at the Bank of Stanwood, Exit 206 on I-5. Bring a sack lunch.
- February 2 Board Meeting. Call Jan van Niel for details at 778-7568.
- February 14 Field trip to Ebbey's Landing and Crockett Lake. Meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Bank of Stanwood, Exit 206, I-5 or at 11:00 a.m. at the south end of the Deception Pass Bridge. Bring a sack lunch.
- February 20 Regular meeting. Our guest speaker is Fayette Krause of The Nature Conservancy. His program will be Sanke River Birds of Prey area. 7:30 p.m. room 308 at Everett Community College.
- February 26 Field trip to Big Ditch and Wiley Slough. Meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Bank of Stanwood, exit 206 on I-5 or 10:00 at Viking Village. Bring sack lunch.
- March 2 Board Meeting. Call Jan van Niel for details.
- March 7 Field trip to Snoqualmie Wildlife Recreation Area. Meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Safeway store in Snohomish. Bring sack lunch.
- March 20 Regular meeting. Terry Wahl, noted sea bird expert will present a program.
- March 21 Audubon Workshop for leadership. Especially designed for chapters west of the Cascades. Call Sally van Niel for information.

BOOK REVIEW

Rebel Residents: How they fight developers, by Carolyn R. Logan, published by Western Search, Inc. at \$4.95. Paperback.

This is an informative account of land-use practices. Tips and tactics to head off confrontation are also offered. Although this book focuses on King County, the basic information can be used here in Snohomish County. This book is a good start for anyone who has, is, or is about to deal with land-use and developers of all types. It is currently in stock at the University Bookstore in Seattle.

A Field Guide to the Birds East of the Rockies, by Roger Tory Peterson, published by Houghton, at \$15.00 hardbound, or \$9.95 paperback.

I know it will be of use since we see most of the birds out here in the west. All of the pictures are new. There are more of them and they are larger than those in the old eastern and our western guides. The arrangement is like that in Robbins, with the descriptions conveniently placed on the page opposite the pictured species. Range maps, larger and clearer than those in Robbins, are in a separate section. There are many little sketches of details of features like wings, feet, bills. Extinct species, like the Labrador duck are illustrated as insets. Accidentals and exotics are also pictured.

STILLAGUAMISH RIVER BASIN INSTREAM RESOURCES PROTECTION PROGRAM

The Washington State Department of Ecology is preparing the Stillaguamish River Basin Instream Resources Protection Program. The program is designed to establish minimum stream flows in order to protect fish, wildlife, water quality, recreation, and scenic and aesthetic qualities. The legislative basis for this program is the "Water Resources Act of 1971". Persons interested in participating in the public workshop should attend on JANUARY 20 at 7 p.m. at the Arlington City Hall, or contact Robert Kavanagh, Dept. of Ecology, PV-11, Olympia, WA 98504 or 206 754-2770 for more information.

BIRDING TEXAS - April 1981

Portland Audubon Society sponsors a Texas Birding Trip. Edwards Plateau, 5 days on the Rio Grande, 5 days at High Island for Eastern warblers during peak migration. Other points inbetween. Sixteen days total, April 18 to May 3. \$950 includes air transportation to and from Portland, motels and ground transport in Texas. Trip leader are Jeff Gilligan and Owen Schmidt. To make reservations, send \$100 down payment by check payable to Portland Audubon Society, 1220 NE 17th Ave. #2-D, Portland, OR 97232.

MID-WINTER BALD EAGLE CONFERENCE

February 14-15 in Klamath Falls is the 2nd annual wintering bald eagle conference. It was held here in Seattle last year providing many of us with a great opportunity to learn and share our knowledge about these winter birds. For more information contact the Portland Audubon Society or call Martha Jordan at 775-0137.

A VICTORY at Ebbey's Landing National Historic Preserve

A branch of the National Park Service has brought the Smith Farm (300 acres) and eventually plan to buy development rights and other land in the 22 square mile central Whidbey Historical District. The National Park Service will work with the State Parks And Recreation Department in developing the whole area. In fact, the State Parks has bought a 1/2 mile strip of beach property for construction of a scenic trail.



New Members

We would like to welcome these new members: The Virginia Anger family, Mr. & Mrs. John H. Blackman, Mrs. Edward Bos, Shaun Kinman, Laura F. Miller, and Dr. Verner Touvrea, all of Everett; Steve Stecher, and Mrs. R.E. Wann of Snohomish; J. Callister, and O.N. Clary of Lynnwood; Wayne A. Berden of Camano Island; Brent M. Young of Silvana; Meredith Pfahl of Mt. Vernon; John Jacobsen of Mukilteo; and Miss D. Hartle of Mountlake Terrace.

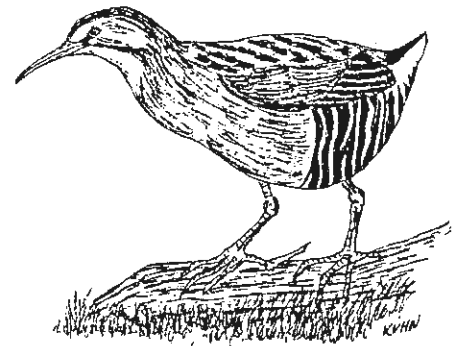
We also extend a welcome to Hal & Pauline Hanson who transferred into our chapter.

COALITION FOR WASHINGTON'S
FISH AND WILDLIFE

A new organization in Washington has been formed to "assure a healthy future for Washington's fish and wildlife." The Coalition for Washington's Fish and Wildlife has two goals: to focus public attention on the value of wildlife resources as they enhance both recreation and state and local tax revenues; and to develop a broader funding base for wildlife programs.

Legislatively mandated programs which affect wildlife--such as the Litter Control Act, habitat protection, and the Forest Practices Act--have been assigned to the Game Department, with little or no funding. The Coalition will study state funding sources for the state's wildlife program to supplement user fees now paid by hunters and anglers. New habitat areas, enforcement personnel, access facilities, and new game and non-game programs are all needed.

The Coalition is co-chaired by John McGlenn, Vice-President of the Washington Environmental Council, and Vern Babcock, past-president of the Washington State Sports Council, Clubs, groups, or individuals who wish to become members or who wish further information should write to Coalition for Washington's Fish and Wildlife, P.O. Box 58842, Seattle, WA 98188.



BIRD SIGHTINGS

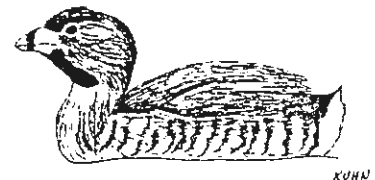
Several field trips have past since the last sighting report as well as many members just out for the sport. An AMERICAN BITTERN was seen at Wiley Slough, and at Misqually National Wildlife Refuge several raptors were seen including a MERLIN AND RED-TAILED HAWK. A NORTHERN SHRIKE was seen on Smith Island. Padilla Bay produced some GLDSQUAMS and Silver Lake was home for several species of waterfowl including COMMON MERGANSERS, MALLARDS, HOODED MERGANSER, BUFFLEHEAD, SCAUPS, AND GOLDENEYES.

A complete report of the 1980 Christmas bird count will be forth coming in the February newsletter. But a summary is here. We had 20 watchers who saw 80 species and a total of 20,176 birds.

AUDUBON INSTITUTE OF DESERT ECOLOGY - 1981

The Institute brings together sixty participants and six distinguished scientists and educators for field studies in the Sonoran Desert. The program seeks to clarify the relationships between the plant life, animals and the physical characteristics of the desert with emphasis on how earth and life forms relate rather than classification or identification.

If you would like to participate, contact Martha Jordan for additional information and registration form(775-0137).



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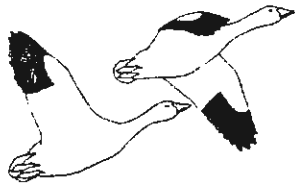
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