Tulsa Audubon Society Annual Calendar

All our events are free and open to the public.

Meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month except June – August.

Arkansas Audubon. Sept 28 (Sat) Research Assistant at the Tulsa Audubon Center. Meet for snacks and social time at 7:00 p.m., program begins at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday Morning Birders. The Tuesday Morning Birders meet every Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. during Daylight Savings Time and 8:00 a.m. during the winter at the LaFortune Park parking lot near the entrance at the traffic light on Yale. Birders (or would-be birders) of any skill level are welcome to join us. For more information contact Jo Loy, 918-835-2946 or Jana Singletary, 918-286-9629.

Saturday Morning Birders. The Saturday Morning Birders meet on the second Saturday of most months except July & August. Anybody who would like to bird with us (whatever your skill level) is welcome. Meet at the monument at Lake Yale at 8:00 a.m. in May, June, July, Aug, and October. 3730 Mitchell Blvd. (just north of the water plant). From there the destination will vary each month, based on the weather, and current birding conditions. For more information contact leader Terry Mitchell at 918-697-3198.

Field Trips. We also schedule occasional field trips on other weekend days, including some out-of-town. Some are on this calendar, others are announced at least a month ahead of time so that you can put them on your calendar and plan to attend.

Note that Oxyele Nature Center also offers free field trips each month. Their Saturday Morning Birding outing is on the first Saturday of the month, from 8:00-9:45, birding around Oxley Nature Center; a 9:45 am during the winter at the LaFortune Park parking lot near the entrance at the traffic light on Yale. Birders (or would-be birders) of any skill level are welcome to join us. For more information contact Jo Loy, 918-835-2946 or Jana Singletary, 918-286-9629.

October 2019

Oct 11 (Fri) - Arkansas Audubon Birds & Brews. Join Tulsa Audubon for “Birds and Brews” at 5:30 pm at Cabin Boys Brewery. Everyone is welcome to join us to talk about birds, about beer, and to raise a mug to the birds and to the season. Meet at the Tulsa Audubon Center. 2435 S. Peoria in Tulsa.

Oct 12 (Sat) - Sat. Morning Birders

Oct 15 (Tue) - Society Meeting. “Restoring and Maintaining Habitat for Oklahoma’s Pollinators” by Dr. Ray Moranz. Dr. Ray Moranz is a Grazing Lands Pollinator Ecologist at The Xerces Society and an expert in monarch butterfly conservation. 7:00 pm at the Tulsa Garden Center.

Oct 19 (Sat) - Young People’s Seasonal Bird Walk. 8:30 am-10:30 am. at Ray Harrel Nature Center. All ages and skill levels welcome. Kids age 10 and under should be accompanied by an adult. Info: Jeff Cox, 918-629-2140, jeffacox54@gmail.com.

November 2019

Nov 3 (Sun) Bird Seed Sale Pickup Day. 10:00 - 4:00.

Nov 9 (Fri-Sat) - Wild At Art Join us for our annual show featuring original fine art, crafts, food and drink all created by Oklahoma artists and artisans. At the Tulsa Garden Center Fri. Noon- 7:00, Sat. 10:00-4:00.

Nov 9 (Sat) - Sat. Morning Birders

Nov 13th (Wed) 4:30pm - After Work Beginning Birding. All ages and skill levels welcome for a short walk. Meet at 4:30 pm at Ray Harral Nature Center, 7101 S 3rd St in Broken Arrow (Leader: John Kennington, johnkennington@gmail.com, 918-809-6325.

Nov 19 (Tue) - Society Meeting. “Birding the Malaysian Peninsula & Borneo” by Dr. Dustin Lameaux. Dr. Doug Wood is Professor of Biological Sciences at the University of Tulsa, and is a noted expert on the swallow family. 7:00 pm at the Tulsa Garden Center.

Nov 25 (Sat) - Annual Eagle Watch & Raptor Rally. View bald Bald Eagles from 8-9 am at the Jenks Pedestrian Bridge followed by a “Raptor Rally” at the Jenks High School, featuring several presentation topics for both adults and children, all featuring live raptors!

February 2020

Feb 1 (Sat) - Visit to the Iowa Tribe’s Bah Kho-Jia Chi (Gray Squirrel House) in Perkins, OK. an eagle rehabilitation facility to house and protect over 50 injured and non-releasable eagles. Limited to 30 participants. Contact: Gary Sitar, 918-455-6627, gfair@akraptors.com. Please register (for free) at graysquirrelhouse2020.eventbrite.com.

Feb 8 (Sat) - Bird Saturday

Feb 15 (Sat) 7:30am - Field Trip to Tallgrass Prairie Preserve & Vicinity. Join us at the TGP for a look at raptors and other wintering species. Carpool from LaFortune Park, 55th Pi & Yale at 7:30 am. Contact Jim Deming, birding.jim@gmail.com, 918-864-4707.

Feb 18 (Tue) - Society Meeting - Beyond Hooks, Bullets, Fins, and Feathers with Outdoor Writer Kelly Bostian. Kelly is Outdoor Editor for the Tulsa World. Originally from Alaska, Kelly is also an avid bird- er, 7:00 pm at the Tulsa Garden Center.

Late Feb. Woodcock Watch. Exact date will depend on when we started observing the Woodcock begin their displays. Watch email, website or Facebook for announcement.

March 2020

Mar 4 (Wed) 4:30pm - After Work Beginning Birding. All ages and skill levels welcome for a short walk. Meet at 4:30 pm at Ray Harral Nature Center, 7101 S 3rd St in Broken Arrow (Leader: John Kennington, johnkennington@gmail.com, 918-809-6325.

Mid-Mar. Birds & Brew Get together with other birders at a local brewery to talk birds, with a bird tattoo contest! Check website or Facebook for location and date.

Mar 14 (Sat) - Sat. Morning Birders

Mar 17 (Tue) - Society Meeting - Society Meeting - Audubon Conservation Ranger at Sarpy County, Nebraska. Spencer W. Miles, Audubon Conservation Ranger at Sarpy County, Nebraska. Spencer W. Miles, 7:00 pm at the Tulsa Garden Center.

April 2020

Apr 11 (Sat) 7:00am - Birds & Botany Field Trip to Spavinaw Creek (Date Tentative). Joint Birds & Botany Field Trip to Spavinaw Creek with Indian Nations Audubon. Carpool from LaFortune Park, 55th Place & Yale at 7:00 am. Contact Jim Deming, birding. jim@gmail.com, 918-864-4707.

Apr 11 (Sat) - Saturday Morning Birders. Canceled, please join our field trip that day to Spavinaw Creek.

Apr 15 - Lesser Prairie-Chicken Festival in Woodward, Okla. Featuring keynote speaker Nate Swick. See www.lektreks.org

Apr 25 (Tue) - Society Meeting - “The Arms Race Between Cliff Swallows and Parasites: Do We Have A Winner?” by Dr. Valerie O’Brien. Dr. O’Brien is Associate Professor of Biology at Tulsa Community College. 7:00 pm at the Tulsa Garden Center.

Apr 25 (Sat) 8:30am - 10:30am - Young People’s Seasonal Bird Walk at the Tulsa, kids of all ages, are welcome, or the entire family. Info: Jeff Cox, 918-629-2140, jeffacox54@gmail.com

May 2020

May 2 (Sat) - Big Day Count. Canceled, traditional areas, or join our “super group” shooting for 100+ species in the Tulsa area! Contact Josh Smith, jsmith18j@gmail.com, 918-724-9709.

May 9 (Sat) - Field Trip to Pathfinder Parkway in Broken Arrow. One of the premier sites for spring migrants in Oklahoma. Meet at 7:00 am in Bartlesville at the parking lot on Shawnee, south of the high school. Contact: Jim Deming, birding.jim@gmail.com or 918-864-4707.

May 9 (Sat) - Saturday Morning Birders. Canceled, please join our Big Day Count.

May 16-17 (Sat-Sun) - Wildlife Habitat Garden Tour and Plant Sale. See www.tulsaudubon.org for more information, admission donation at the door. Join us for a walking tour of the gardens on the tour. Contact Alyne Eiland, 918-521-8954, eiland@swbell.net

May 19 (Tue) - Society Meeting - Birds of Costa Rica by Jay Pruett. Jay is past Director of Conservation at the Nature Conservancy & an expert birder traveling the world. 7:00 pm at the Tulsa Garden Center.

June 2020

Jun 6 (Sat) 8:30am - 10:30am - Young People’s Seasonal Bird Walk at Oxley Nature Center. All ages and skill levels welcome. Kids age 10 and under should be accompanied by an adult. Info: Jeff Cox, 918-629-2140, jeffacox54@gmail.com.

Jun 13 (Sat) Time TBD, Jenks High School Bldg 6 - Special Presentation by Doug Tallamy, professor at the Univ of Delaware. He is an expert on native plants, insects & biodiversity, and author of the landmark book Bringing Nature Home: How Native Plants Sustain Wildlife in Our Gardens.

July 2020

Mid July. Birds & Brew We’ll beat the summer heat with a get together at a local brewery to talk birds, and hear a short informal presentation. Check website or Facebook for location and date.

August 2020

Aug 8 (Sat) (tentative) Purple Martin Roost Watch. Exact date & location to be announced, depending on where the martins decide to roost! Contact Johnkennington@gmail.com, 918-809-6325. Check website or Facebook for location and final date.
Welcome

The Mission of Tulsa Audubon is to foster appreciation, enjoyment and stewardship of our natural world

We work to achieve this in four ways:
- Promote the conservation of wildlife and the natural environment
- Provide the opportunity for study and observation of birds and all wildlife
- Contribute to research in the fields of conservation and ornithology by monetary support and active participation
- Educate the public on the need to protect the environment, and to promote a better public understanding of these natural resources

Chapter Projects

Eagle Watch & Raptor Rally is held in January to observe wild Bald Eagles along the Arkansas River, followed by indoor presentations hosted by TAS and the Jenks High School Ornithology Club featuring live eagles and raptors. TAS owns a sanctuary on Lake Keystone used by wintering eagles (not open to the public.)

Backyard Habitat Garden Tour & Plant Sale is an annual tour featuring homeowners who have made their yards to be attractive to wildlife. Nurseries will be selling hard to find native and wildlife friendly plants.

WING-IT - “Wildlife In Need Group” - In Tulsa is a wildlife rehabilitation group sponsored by Tulsa Audubon. Visit www.wingitu.org or call 918 508 9607.

Flycatcher Trail Outdoor Classroom & Demonstration Garden is a collaborative project on the campus of Jenks High School, designed to engage students in outdoor learning experiences, serve as a model of a “backyard bird-friendly space” for the entire community.

Wild At Art - An annual fine arts and craft show held in November, with art that is themed ‘Flora, Fauna, and Friendly to the Earth’

Bird-friendly Businesses - Recognition is given to local businesses that have taken steps to be bird-friendly. See TAS website for criteria.

Bird Seed - High quality bird seed is sold each Fall

Christmas Bird Count - TAS participates in the National Audubon Society’s nationwide census of winter bird populations.

Big Day Count - A county-wide census of migrating and resident species held during spring migration.

Lesser Prairie-Chicken Festival - An annual birding festival in northwest Oklahoma attracting hundreds of visitors from around the world.

Monthly Meetings

TAS Meetings are free and open to the public, held on the third Tuesday of each month (except June-Aug) at the Tulsa Garden Center, 2435 S. Peoria in Tulsa. Meet for snacks and social time at 7:00 pm; program begins at 7:30.

Field Trips

Field trips to observe birds, wildflowers and nature are scheduled throughout the year. The public is especially encouraged to join us on these trips.

Publications

Email Updates. To keep up with the latest TAS news, members and not-yet-members are encouraged to sign up for our monthly email update. You can sign up at www.tulsaaudubon.org or send your name and email to johnkennington@gmail.com.

Bird Finding Guide. Now available online at www.tulsaaudubon.org

Tulsa County Date Guide. A guide to the dates of occurrence and abundance of the birds of Tulsa County. Last Updated in 1999, but still very accurate. It can be purchased at any TAS meeting. $3.00

Field Checklist of Birds of Tulsa County. Includes seasonal abundances. Last updated in 2018. $2.25 each

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Membership

Membership in the National Audubon Society provides membership in the Tulsa Audubon Society. Members receive four issues of Audubon magazine and receive our Tulsa Audubon email news updates. One-year Introductory Membership dues are $20.

Join online at www.tulsaaudubon.org/membership.htm or mail a check payable to The National Audubon Society, Chapter T01 to: Tulsa Audubon Society, P.O. Box 330140, Tulsa, OK 74133

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