



# The Corvid Crier

Digest for June, 2017

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The *Corvid Crier Digest* lists programs, birding activities, and other EAS events.

## **Events**

### **Program Night**

#### **June 22 (Thursday) Marymoor Park, Velodrome Picnic Area**

Please join us at 6:00 for a potluck picnic and socializing at Marymoor Park. Bring the kids, grandkids, grandparents and friends. This event replaces our monthly Program Night. Come celebrate our partnership with King County Parks; a relationship that enables us to enjoy great birding in an urban setting. Eastside Auduboners have contributed many skills and hours to the Park, and we appreciate their continuing commitment. Bring a dish to share, bring games to share, go for a walk on the BirdLoop, or relax and spend some time with others who appreciate the birds and nature. We'll have the BBQs fired up, so bring something for your family to grill. Please bring your own place settings (dishes and flatware) and serving utensils. Drinks will be provided.

Please bring a dish to share—corresponding to the first letter of your last name:

A-G...Dessert H-P...Salad Q-Z...Hot or cold side dish

We'll meet at the Velodrome Picnic Shelter next to Parking Lot I. Parking is \$1 per car, which can be purchased at a kiosk onsite.

Please RSVP by calling (425-576-8805) or emailing the office at [office@eastsideaudubon.org](mailto:office@eastsideaudubon.org).

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

### **Marymoor Park Work Party**

**June 3 (Saturday), 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.** Join us in restoring the native habitat for birds at the Audubon BirdLoop at Marymoor Park in Redmond on the first Saturday of each month starting at 9 a.m. Dress for the weather, bring work gloves, wear sturdy shoes and bring snacks and water. Meet near the southeast corner of Lot G, by the kiosk. We'll be there with free parking passes and tools. No registration required. Call Tim McGruder with questions, 425-822-8580. No work party in July, the next will be August 5.

## **Birding**

**June 2 (Friday) 12-1 p.m.**

### **Juanita Bay Beginner's Bird Walk**

Darby, our new intern from UW Bothell, leads this easy walk in Juanita bay for beginner bird watchers much like herself. Open to everyone, children welcome. Free and no registration required. This walk will be a shared learning experience seeing what kinds of birds we can see and identify. Come on out and have some fun, but don't forget your binoculars. We'll be looking to identify all the birds we come across and see how many we can name correctly. Hope to see you there! Leader: Darby Swayne

**June 3 (Saturday) 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

### **SPENCER ISLAND**

#### **\$25 donation to Eastside Audubon for Birdathon**

Spring is a good time to explore this wetland located near the Everett Sewage Treatment Ponds. Waterfowl, shorebirds, raptors, and gulls as well as migrating warblers, sparrows and other songbirds in brushy and grassy areas are all possible in this varied habitat. Bring lunch and dress for the weather. Meet before 7:00 a.m. at the south end of the Kingsgate Park & Ride off I-405 in Kirkland. Return about 1:30 p.m. No registration required. Carpool cost per passenger is \$4.00. Leader: Etta Cosey, 206-234-9913 for day of trip only.

**June 4 (Sunday) 1-2 p.m.**

### **Juanita Bay Ranger Walk, Kirkland**

Songbirds, waterfowl, raptors, shorebirds, amphibians, turtles, beavers, and other small mammals make Juanita Bay Park their home. Interpretive tours of this wildlife habitat are conducted by Eastside Audubon's volunteer Park Rangers on the first Sunday of each month. Tours start in the parking lot at 1 p.m., rain or shine, and take about one hour. Bring binoculars if you have them. No registration is required.

**June 11 (Saturday), 10 to 11 a.m.**

### **Juanita Bay Plant Park Walk**

Native plants increase the diversity of wildlife in our parks and neighborhoods and can help suppress invasive species. Come learn to identify the native plants at Juanita Bay Park. Jan Johnson, a Washington Native Plant Society Master Native Plant Steward, Green Kirkland Partnership Steward, and volunteer Ranger at Juanita Bay Park, will lead participants on a one-hour tour of the park focusing on the local native flora and the habitat restoration efforts. Come see bird-friendly habitats and restoration efforts through the eyes of an expert. Meet at the entry kiosk and wear suitable clothing for the weather. This walk is suitable for all ages and knowledge levels and will last approximately one hour. No registration is required. Leader: Jan Johnson

**June 20 (Tuesday) 8 a.m.-noon**

**Juanita Bay Park Bird Walk, Kirkland**

A relaxed walk in the Park, seeing what birds are in the area. Meets the third Tuesday of each month. This can be an enjoyable walk for teens as well as adults. Walks begin at 8a.m. April-September. Bring binoculars and meet in parking lot. No registration required. Leader: Mary Frances Mathis. For further information call 425-803-3026.

**June 26 (Monday), 9 a.m. to noon**

**Birding the Hot Spots of King County** Monthly field trip on fourth Monday of the month to wherever the birds are. Meet before 9 a.m. at north end of the Newport Hills Park-N-Ride (I-405, exit 9) and plan to be back by noon. Children ages 10 and above, accompanied by an adult, are welcome. Carpool passenger cost/person \$2-4, depending on destination. No registration required. Leader: Rusty Hazzard, 425-652-1006.

**June 27 (Tuesday), 6:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

**Lake Sammamish State Park, Issaquah** This urban park offers a wide assortment of birds and habitats due to its varied ecosystems. The trip will involve walking approximately 2-3 miles. This can be an enjoyable walk for teens as well as adults. Dress appropriately (rainproof in layers; some of the trails can be muddy if wet). We meet at the main entrance from NW Sammamish Road on the south end of the lake. Take the first left into the large parking lot and meet at the northeast end before 8 a.m. A Discover Pass is required to park. No registration required. Co-led by Sharon Aagaard (425-891-3460) and Stan Wood.