



The Corvid Crier

Digest for September, 2017

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

Events

General Meeting and Program

September 28(Thursday), Hospitality at 6:30 p.m., Program at 7 p.m.

Northlake Unitarian Universalist Church, 308 4th Avenue South, Kirkland

Have you ever stepped over a track in the mud and wondered what animal made the print? By learning how to track wild animals, you will be able to have knowledge of, and a connection to, where wildlife live. By becoming aware of wildlife that live around you, the landscape will take on a different feel. Tracking provides a new lens for viewing the wild (and urban) places that you frequent. Please join us for an introductory evening to the art and science of wildlife tracking with professional tracker and educator, Marcus Reynerson of the Wilderness Awareness School, Duvall, WA.

Volunteer Opportunities

Marymoor Park Work Party

September 2 (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. The next work parties will be October 7 and November 7.

Birding

September 3 (Sunday), 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Family Bird Walk at Juanita Bay Park, Kirkland

Eastside Park Rangers lead this easy, one-hour walk on the first Sunday of every month. Free. Children aged 6 and above, accompanied by an adult, are welcome. No pre-registration required. Tours for community schools and special interest groups also can be scheduled through the EAS office: [425-576-8805](tel:425-576-8805)

September 16 (Saturday) 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Grays Harbor County (Limit 10)

September is a good time for southbound shorebirds and Grays Harbor County is the place. We will carpool and include Bottle Beach among our stops. We will be searching for Western and

Least Sandpipers, Black-bellied and Semi-palmated Sandpipers, Sanderlings, turnstones, godwits and any unusual shorebirds that might show up. We will also be looking for songbirds and any raptors that are around.

This will be a long day trip and probably arrive back around 6 pm. Meet at I-405 exit 9 P&R at 6:30 AM - carpool to 3 cars, limit 10 people. Bring lunch and fluids, a scope is very helpful and a Discover Pass if you have one. Call Brian ([425-485-8058](tel:425-485-8058)) to reserve your spot on the trip You can contact him the morning of the trip only at [206-619-0379](tel:206-619-0379). Field trip cost: \$33/passenger. Co-leaders: Brian Bell and Nancy Hubly.

September 19 (Tuesday) 8 a.m. to noon

Juanita Bay Park Bird Walk

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

September 20 (Wednesday), 8 a.m. to noon

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. Dress appropriately (rainproof in layers; some of the trails can be muddy if wet). Meet at 8 a.m. just inside the main entrance; take the first left into the large parking lot and meet at the northeast end. A Discover Pass is required to park. No registration required. Co-leaders: Sharon Aagaard and Stan Wood. Call Sharon with any questions, 425-891-3460.

September 23 (Saturday) 10 a.m. to noon

Family Bird Walk Lake Hills Greenbelt Trail

Get kids outside to explore, find and identify birds. Join us for a leisurely walk on the flat trail including Larsen Lake. Hear the sweet "towhee" of Goldfinches darting from limb to limb. Maybe a Barred Owl is high in a tree. Song sparrows, Flickers, and Hummingbirds are some of the many other residents. Suitable for children 5 years through teens. Bring water and binoculars, and dress for weather. No registration required. Free Parking at site. Contact Person: Margie Huff [425-492-0836](tel:425-492-0836). Leader: Nancy Hubly.

September 25 (Monday), 9 a.m. to noon

Birding the Hot Spots of King County

Monthly field trip on the fourth Monday to wherever the birds are. Meet before 9 a.m. at the north end of the Newport Hills P&R (I-405, exit 9) and plan to be back by noon. Carpool cost per passenger \$2-\$4 depending on destination. No pre-registration required. Leader: Tom Munsch.

October 1 (Sunday) 1 p.m. to 2 p. m.

Juanita Bay Park Interpretive Tour

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