

DECEMBER/JANUARY CALENDAR

- Saturday
December 9 FIELD TRIP -- CHRISTMAS COUNT PRACTICE
Go north on Coors Boulevard 7/10 of a mile beyond the La Luz housing development. Turn right (east) at the first dirt road and go to the end of the road. Parking is available.
Meet here at 7:30 a.m.
- Thursday
Dec. 14 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING at UNM Physics/Astronomy Building, 7:30 pm
Note: The meeting is on the second Thursday this month. Our speaker is Fred A. Gross, Jr., State Senator from District 21, Bernalillo County, who will talk about conservation and environmental bills to be considered by the State Legislature, which will be convening in Santa Fe on January 16. Senator Gross has served for four years and has just been reelected for a full six-year term. He is a member of the Senate Conservation and the Education Committees. He is also a director of the National Wildlife Association for Region 10; and a director of the Regional Environmental, Educational and Information Organization, which is concerned with environment in Texas, New Mexico and the Mexican state of Chihuahua.
- Christmas bird count plans will be finalized at this meeting!
- Saturday
Dec. 16 CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT - BOSQUE DEL APACHE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
Compiler: Chuck Hundertmark (Telephone: 842-9664). Meet at the Refuge headquarters at 7:30 a.m.
- Sunday
Dec. 17 CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT -- ALBUQUERQUE AREA
Compiler: Alan Engberg (Telephone: 265-8962). Meet at the west end of the Corrales bridge at 7:00 a.m.
- Saturday
Dec. 30 CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT -- SANDIA MOUNTAIN AREA
Compiler: Ross Teuber (Telephone: 265-8962). Meet at San Antonito schoolhouse at 7:00 a.m.
- Tuesday
Jan. 9 AUDUBON WILDLIFE FILM SERIES. Popejoy Hall, UNM, at 7:30 p.m.
"The Land No One Wanted", filmed and narrated by Buzz Moss.
- Saturday
Jan. 13 FIELD TRIP
Meet at "Blackie's" in Moriarty at 8:00 a.m. We will proceed as a group to the birding site.
- Thursday
Jan. 18 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING (third Thursday of the month) at UNM Physics/Astronomy Building, 7:30 p.m. Robert W. Wolfe, an Audubon member, will speak on the question "Is Gardening for the Birds?"
Mr. Wolfe moved to New Mexico in 1952 because of poor health and, with his parents, started the Los Lobos Bird Farm on Indian School Road NW. They started raising geese, then chickens, and finally exotic birds of all types. For several years he managed the Ravel Bros. Pet Store. During this time he became well known to Albuquerque children when he appeared regularly on TV with various animals and birds. People began to bring him injured wild birds for his care and he also assisted the Rio Grande zoo

with rehabilitation of sick and injured birds. He has cooperated in research projects with the U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service and the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish. He is Albuquerque's best known "birdman".

Monday AUDUBON WILDLIFE FILM SERIES. Popejoy Hall, UNM, at 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 29 "Mexican Adventure," filmed and narrated by C. P. Lyons

SECOND ANNUAL CNMAS CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

December 16, 17, 30

For all members -- even the shy ones can be recorders if not counters! Novices will be helped by the pros. It is a walking, riding, watching, counting exercise for eight hours on this once-a-year national event.

A minimum of ten persons is required in each group for this dawn-to-dusk event. Birds are counted by both species and number. The bird count areas move around a radius of 7-1/2 miles. Bird counters each contribute \$1 for this experience -- the money pays for the published results in American Birds next spring.

If you are not on the count and have a bird feeder, and wish to count and report, do so -- provided you live in the bird count area and pay your dollar.

Last year's count was a thriller! We believe this second count will exceed that one. Call the compilers (see calendar) if you have any questions.

NEW FORMAT FOR THE NEWSLETTER

Thanks to enthusiastic birder Marian Washburn, we are upgrading our bimonthly newsletter. Marilyn Ruoss prepares the copy, Marian cuts the stencils and has them mimeographed, after which Marilyn and Martin Ruoss do the mailing. We hope you like the new format!

NEW MEMBERS -- OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

Mrs. Schuyler Batson, 600 Alcalde Place SW, Apt. 8A
Mrs. Robert Beeker, 522 Wellesley Drive SE
Mrs. William Bond, 518 Aliso Drive NE
Edward B. Carney, Jr., Box 5221 Kirtland AFB, East Albuquerque
David L. Clawson, Box 1644, 87103
Mildred Dellefield, 2900 Van Buren NE
Mrs. Paul R. Duncan, 7624 Winter NE
Josephine Hernandez, 812 Lewis SW
Mrs. Timothy B. Ingwersen, 1301 California NE
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Katonak, 11715 Holiday Avenue NE
William M. Larsen, 4508 Oahu Drive NE
Dan Levy, Campus Station #3061, Socorro
Mr. and Mrs. David A. McArthur, 4060 Dietz Farm Circle NW
Mrs. William R. Perret, 6116 Natalie NE
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