

# FRANKLIN BIRD CLUB



## UPCOMING BIRD EVENTS

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April 3

### **Greenway walks begin.**

Bird walk along the Greenway led by Karen Lawrence. Meet at the Macon County Public Library parking area at 8:00 am.

Sponsored by Franklin Bird Club. 524-5234 if questions.

April 4

Jack Johnston will lead a bird walk at Tessentee Bottomland Preserve. 8:00 am. From Franklin: Take the Georgia Rd (US 23/US 441) south for approx. 5.2 miles, turn left onto Riverside Rd and follow for 0.5 miles, turn right onto Hickory Knoll Rd and follow for approx. 1.9 miles — the Preserve is located off a private drive (2249 Hickory Knoll Rd) on the right-hand side of the road; parking area is on the left, before the farm gate.

Sponsored by the Franklin Bird Club.

828-524-4707 for more information and to sign up

April 10

Bird walk along the Greenway led by Paula Gorgoglione. Meet at Salali Lane at 8:00 am.

Parking is off Fox Ridge Road which is just south of Franklin Flea Market on Highlands Rd.

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April 15

Franklin Bird Club meeting; 7:00 pm at the Macon County Public Library

### **"Putting Your Land to Work for Birds: Partnering for Bird Conservation" By Curtis**

**Smalling**, Director of Land Bird Conservation, Audubon North Carolina

This presentation will share basics of what makes good bird habitat on your land and we will present opportunities for assistance, both technical and financial, to help you reach your goals and help the birds along the way. 524-5234 if questions.

April 17

Bird walk along the Greenway led by Karen Lawrence. Meet at the Macon County Public Library parking area at 8:00 am.

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April 24

Bird walk along the Greenway led by Paula Gorgoglione. Meet at Salali Lane at 8:00 am.

Parking is off Fox Ridge Road which is just south of Franklin Flea Market on Highlands Rd.

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April 25

Jack Johnston will lead a walk at Needmore. Meet at Queen Branch (off Hwy 28, 7 miles north of Sanderstown Rd on the left) at 8:00 am to carpool.

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April 27

John and Cathy Sill will lead a bird walk in the Standing Indian area.

Meet at the Kmart parking lot (Westgate Plaza in Franklin) at 8:00 am to carpool up to Standing Indian with a few stops along the way. We should be back by noon.

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May 1

Bird walk along the Greenway led by Karen Lawrence. Meet at the Macon County Public Library parking area at 8:00 am.

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May 4

HPAS beginner's walk with Jack Johnston to Gibson Bottoms.

Check the website for more details: <http://www.highlandsaudubonsociety.org/>

May 8

Bird walk along the Greenway led by Paula Gorgoglione. Meet at Salali Lane at 8:00 am.

Parking is off Fox Ridge Road which is just south of Franklin Flea Market on Highlands Rd.

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May 11

Jim and Ellen Shelton will lead a bird walk near Walnut Creek. Meet at Bi-Lo parking area at 8:00 am to carpool.

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May 15

Bird walk along the Greenway led by Karen Lawrence. Meet at the Macon County Public Library parking area at 8:00 am.

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May 17

Jack Johnston will lead a bird walk at Queen Branch (off Hwy 28, 7 miles north of Sanderstown Rd on the left) at 8:00 am.

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May 18

HPAS field trip to Lonesome Valley led by Romney Bathurst. See May 4 for website.

May 21

HPAS outing to Southern Highlands Reserve.

Limited to 20. Call Romney Bathurst at 828-526-1939 to sign up. \$20 donation requested.

Bring a bag lunch.

May 22

Bird walk along the Greenway led by Paula Gorgoglione. Meet at Salali Lane at 8:00 am.

Parking is off Fox Ridge Road which is just south of Franklin Flea Market on Highlands Rd.

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May 24

Jason Love will lead a walk at Gibson Bottoms at 8:00 am. Meet at the entrance to Gibson Bottoms which is located on Rain Ridge Rd, off Sanderstown Rd about 5 miles north of Franklin off Highway 28.

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HPAS walk in Highlands led by Brock Hutchins. Meet at 7:30 am in the parking lot behind Highlands Town Hall.

May 29

Bird walk along the Greenway led by Karen Lawrence. Meet at the Macon County Public Library parking area at 8:00 am.

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June 1

HPAS Beginners Walk will work on feeder species led by Brock Hutchins and Edwin Poole at the Pooles' home. Meet at 7:30 am in the parking lot behind Highlands Town Hall.

June 5

Bird walk along the Greenway led by Paula Gorgoglione. Meet at Salali Lane at 8:00 am. Parking is off Fox Ridge Road which is just south of Franklin Flea Market on Highlands Rd.

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June 8

HPAS walk in the Chinquapin community in Chasiers led by Russ Regnery. Meet in the Cashiers Community Center parking area at 7:30 am to carpool.

June 12

Bird walk along the Greenway led by Karen Lawrence. Meet at the Macon County Public Library parking area at 8:00 am.

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June 13

HPAS Owl Prowl, in conjunction with the Highlands Nature Center and featuring the live birds of the Charlotte Raptor Rehab Center. 7:30 pm in the amphitheater behind the Highlands Nature Center. Parking is very limited, so please carpool and arrive early for best seats.

June 15

HPAS bird-banding with Mark Hopey at Cowee Mound. Meet at Iotla Recycling Center north of Franklin at the intersection of Hwy 28 and Sanderstown Rd. at 8:00 am.

June 17

Franklin Bird Club meeting; 7:00 pm at the Macon County Public Library

**"Raptors, Waders & Other Neat Stuff" by Ed Boos**

looks at some behaviors of a variety of birds including eagles, owls, egrets, cranes, as well as several other bird species through the medium of still and video photography. The photography and research for this presentation were done at Central Florida birding hotspots by Ed and Cindy Boos who reside in Macon County much of the year. Many great Florida birding locations, some little known, will be identified for those who may wish to visit them in the future.

June 19

Bird walk along the Greenway led by Paula Gorgoglione. Meet at Salali Lane at 8:00 am. Parking is off Fox Ridge Road which is just south of Franklin Flea Market on Highlands Rd.

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June 29

Saturday bird walk along the Greenway. Meet at the parking area at the Macon County Public Library at 8:00 am. Led by Paula Gorgoglione. Sponsored by Franklin Bird Club with Highlands Plateau Audubon Society. 524-5234 if questions.

August 19

Franklin Bird Club meeting; 7:00 pm at the Macon County Public Library

### **“Field Sketching 101” by John Sill**

Learn to draw all types of birds with easy to follow steps. Add clarity to your field notes and perhaps start a new avocation as a bird artist.

August 31

Saturday bird walk along the Greenway. Meet at the parking area at the Macon County Public Library at 8:00 am. Led by Paula Gorgoglione. Sponsored by Franklin Bird Club with Highlands Plateau Audubon Society. 524-5234 if questions.

October 21

Franklin Bird Club meeting; 7:00 pm at the Macon County Public Library

### **“Birds in Your Garden”**

Details to follow.

The schedule of day trips to be led by Ventures Birding Tours can be found at:

<http://www.birdventures.com/DayTrips.html>

There is a charge for these walks.