



On The Wing

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Boulder County Audubon Society Newsletter

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BCAS 4th Tuesday Program Series

May 26, 7:30 p.m.

Raptors in the Central Mongolian Steppe

Rick Harness

The Mongolian steppe supports numerous raptors including the globally endangered Saker falcon. In the Fall of 2007, Rick Harness teamed with National University of Mongolia and Mongolian Ornithological Society biologists to visit remote Mongolian power lines in order to develop conservation measures to protect these birds. Even today this land is primarily inhabited by herdsman living a traditional nomadic lifestyle. These multigenerational families graze their sheep, goats, horses and camels intermixed with herds of wild Mongolian antelope. For two weeks the team traversed remote grasslands, camping and visiting with local herders. These visits included sharing meals and drinking the national drink "arak", a fermented mare's milk. This presentation will present a travel log of the Mongolian steppes along with measures to prevent the unnecessary loss of raptors.

Mr. Harness is a certified wildlife biologist working for the engineering firm, EDM International, Inc. located in Fort Collins, Colorado. He has a M.S. in Fishery and Wildlife Biology from Colorado State University where his thesis work was conducted on raptor electrocutions. Mr. Harness has 25 years experience managing and supervising environmental studies and research for the electric utility industry. His specific areas of strength are in wildlife-utility interactions including power line electrocutions and bird collisions.



June 23, 7:30 p.m.



Ferruginous Pygmy Owl Chicks

The Owl and the Woodpecker

Paul Bannick

Intimate photos of owls and woodpeckers, some of the finest ever taken, dazzle the eyes, but Paul Bannick's new book is much more than pretty pictures. Ecosystem by ecosystem, he explores the lives of woodpeckers and associated owls while clearly delineating their conservation needs. His special program for Boulder County Audubon will include stories about how he got the photos and what he learned about the fragile status and interdependence of these species.

Award-winning photographer Paul Bannick specializes in the natural history of North America, with special focus on his beloved Pacific Northwest. An experienced naturalist and outdoor educator, Paul creates most of his images while kayaking, hiking, or snowshoeing. Paul works full time as a director of Conservation Northwest, a conservation organization dedicated to protecting and connecting wild areas from the Pacific Coast to the Canadian Rockies.

Refreshments and Socializing at 7 PM

Program at 7:30

Meetings are held at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Boulder, 5001 Pennsylvania Ave. (west off 55th St. between Arapahoe and Baseline)

BOULDER COUNTY WILDLIFE INVENTORY, NOVEMBER — DECEMBER 2008

Gillian and Alex Brown, 4560 Darley Avenue, Boulder, CO 80305

November is usually a good month for viewing gulls and this November was no exception. The most exciting sighting of the month was a **Slaty-backed Gull**, a new sighting for the Boulder County wildlife inventory. This is a Pacific Ocean gull of which there is only one definite previous sighting in Colorado. It was viewed mainly on Boulder Reservoir but was also seen on MacIntosh and Union Reservoirs. Other unusual gulls were **Mew Gull** (a first sighting for the year), **Great Black-backed Gull** and **Glaucous Gull**. This is also a good time of year for viewing loons and diving ducks. However, only **Common Loon** was reported this year although several birders went looking for less usual loon species. **Surf Scoter**, **Long-tailed Duck** and **Barrow's Goldeneye** were all new species for the year. The first two stayed around long enough to be reported in both November and December. **Tundra Swan**, **Winter Wren** and **Lapland Longspur** were also new sightings for the year.

The Boulder Christmas Bird Count (BCBC) always produces good coverage of the bird species present, and usually adds many species to the December inventory. However, this year it happened to fall on the coldest day of the year with sub-zero temperatures which were off-putting for both birds and birders. The only new bird species added for the year was **Harris' Sparrow**. However, species such as **Hermit Thrush**, **Gray Catbird**, and **Brown Thrasher** were good sightings for the time of year. Outside of the bird count, reporting was sparse in December. **Bighorn Sheep** was a new mammal sighting for the year. A few lingering migrants such as **American Pelican**, **Greater** and **Lesser Yellowlegs** were seen at the beginning of December but most had left by 14 December, the date of the bird count. By the end of the month the weather was distinctly milder and a few species were found that had been missed on the bird count such as **Ring-necked Pheasant**, **Northern Saw-whet Owl**, **Winter Wren**, **Eastern Bluebird** and **Yellow-rumped Warbler**. One suspects that they were present earlier but that the cold weather had made them reluctant to show themselves.

Altogether 111 bird species were reported in November and 117 species in December. These are very respectable totals although they break no records. For the full listing of sighted species go to www.boulderaudubon.org/inventory.htm

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Next issue deadline: (Sept 2009 issue) Aug 18.

Field Trips—May-August 2009

Saturday, May 16, 7–10 a.m. *Birds of tallgrass prairies and cottonwood woodlands.* Leaders: Janet McLachlan and Steve Jones (303-494-2468; curlewsj@comcast.net). Ecostewards Janet and Steve will lead a leisurely walk along the South Boulder Creek Trail to look for and listen to summer resident birds, including western kingbird, western bluebird, lark sparrow, grasshopper sparrow, and blue grosbeak. Meet at the South Boulder Creek Trail west trailhead, just west of Broadway 0.5 miles north of Eldorado Springs Drive.

Sunday, May 24, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. *Nesting Raptors in Boulder County.* Leaders: Mark and Sue Ponsor (s.ponsor@comcast.net). We'll look for nests and young of bald eagles, great horned owls, red tail hawks, swainson hawks, opsprey, northern harriers, and prairie falcons. Please bring a sack lunch. Meet at Niwot Park & Ride

Saturday, May 30, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. *Birds and Wildflowers of the Ponderosa Pine Forest.* Leader: Dianne Andrews (dandrews@boulder.net; 303-823-6779). Join the stewardship group for a walk through the ponderosa pines to observe wildflowers, birds, and other wildlife. We'll stop for lunch at a small pond in the aspens with views of Mount Meeker. Drive 2.2 miles north of the junction of Highway 7 and Highway 72 (Peak to Peak Highway). Turn right on Taylor Road and drive about 2/3rds of a mile to the end of the road (past two road junctions on your right), where there's a small parking area for the Arapaho Roosevelt National Forest. We will walk for a short way on the Forest Service road that starts just beyond the parking area before turning on to an unnamed hiking trail on the left.

Saturday, June 20, 8 a.m.-afternoon. *Rocky Mountain National Park.* Leaders: Dianna and Wayne Johnston (wjohnston@att.net; 303-682-5662). We will take an easy walk on Upper Beaver Meadows trail looking for primary and secondary cavity nesting birds. 1/2 day to 3/4 day depending on activity. We'll bird Upper Beaver Meadows until about noon, then if it's a nice day we'll drive to our favorite spots to look for badgers and bobcats. Bring lunch if you plan to stay for the mammal portion of the trip. Meet at 8:00am at Beaver Meadows Visitor Center. Park pass needed.

Saturday, June 27, 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. *Roll and Stroll Bird-watching.* Leader: Mary Balzer (303-499-0662). Boulder Audubon and Boulder Open Space and Mountain Parks will be leading this bird-watching "Roll and Stroll" field trip at the White Rocks Trail for people who use walkers, strollers, wheelchairs, canes, or even just plain legs. There will be opportunities for wildlife observation, picnicking, and photography. An accessible hard-pack dirt trail goes 1/2 mile along a stream, with a viewing stop at a bridge. Bring hats, sunscreen, water, an assistant if necessary, and binoculars if you have them, though some will be available to share. This field trip is OPEN TO EVERYONE and is FREE. Come enjoy a Boulder open space treasure with new friends and the wonderful birds that live in our county. We will probably see and hear raptors, waterfowl, flycatchers, meadowlarks and more. For more info, please contact Mary.

Directions: The White Rocks Trail trailhead is between 75th and 95th, on Valmont Rd., on the north side of the road, diagonally across from the N. Teller Farm Trailhead. Look for the brown Boulder City Open Space and Mountain Parks sign. Please drop off only at the trailhead, then park vehicle at the Teller Farm trailhead.

Saturday, July 4, 7:45 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. *Cal-Wood Butterfly Count.* Leader: Jan Chu (303-494-1108; chuhouse@hotmail.com). For 26 consecutive years Cal-Wood Education Center, Jamestown has hosted the North American Butterfly Count. This 27th annual one-day count will take place on July 4, 2009 with children and adults invited. This is a learning situation for many of the participants with identification in the field assisted by experienced butterfly naturalists. The NABA Butterfly Count program has been held annually since 1975. During 2008, 447 Counts were held in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico. Cal-Wood is known for its Parnassians, Swallowtails, Queen Alexandra's Sulphurs, Ringlets, Persius Duskywings and 60 others. Cost: \$3.00 to register for the NABA Count. Children may register for \$3.00 if they would like their names listed in the annual records. Meet at 7:45 a.m. at Safeway Grocery's northern parking lot facing Iris, west of 28th St., Boulder, to carpool. When emailing, add subject line 'Butterfly Count to let us know you're coming.

July 3-4: Overnight special event at Cal-Wood. Cost about \$32 per person, with evening meal and breakfast provided. Tent 2 miles downstream near the Mica Mine. Tents available. Explore an ancient forest and a deep riparian area to look for butterflies. Bring sack lunch for July 3 and also July 4. Food will be stored away from bears inside the Cal-Wood Lodge cooler. Contact Jan Chu for details: 303-494-1108; chuhouse@hotmail.com.

Sunday, July 5, 8:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. *Gilpin County Butterfly Count.* Leader: Jan Chu (303-494-1108; chuhouse@hotmail.com). Cost: \$3.00 to register for the NABA Count. Children may register for \$3.00 if they would like their names listed in the annual records. Meet at 8:15 a.m. EAST OF Tunnel #1, west of Golden on US Highway 6 to carpool. Chili potluck follows at Kit and Ray Stanford's cabin.

Saturday, July 11, 6-10 a.m. *Breeding Bird Atlas Lyons blockbusting party.* Leaders: Maggie Boswell and Steve Jones (303-494-2468; curlewsj@comcast.net). Help complete the Lyons block by observing nesting behaviors of foothills and grassland birds. Meet at the Heil Ranch open space main parking area off Left Hand Canyon Drive.

Sunday, August 9, 8 am.-Noon. *Dragonflies, Damselflies, and other Bugs.* Leader: Scott Severs (rostrhamus@aol.com; 303-684-6430). We'll look for the winged jewels of the insect world during the peak of their summer activity. We'll also look for beetles, butterflies, and other insects. Meet at the Walden Ponds Cottonwood Marsh parking lot.



Intro to Boulder County Birding

Instructors:

Sue Cass, Steve Jones, and Scott Severs

This new Boulder County Audubon Society certificate course covers the ins and outs of birding, from using binoculars and field guides to identifying birds by field marks and song. Observe hawks, ducks, woodpeckers, songbirds and other birds in their natural habitats while learning about their ecological roles and conservation needs. Students who complete the course will receive a Boulder County Audubon "Intro to Boulder County Birding" certificate. Please bring a field guide (such as Sibley's) and binoculars to the first class.

- Saturday, September 12, 8 a.m. to noon. Birding Basics. Walden Ponds
- Saturday, September 26, 8 a.m. to noon. Songbirds. Walker Ranch Open Space.
- Saturday, October 10, 8 a.m. to noon. Waterfowl. Walden Ponds Wildlife Area
- Saturday, November 7, 8 a.m. to noon. Raptors. Foothills Nature Center and eastern Boulder County

Tuition: \$90 (\$80 for Audubon members) Limited to 12 participants.

To register: contact Mary Balzer: marybalzer@qwest.net or go to www.boulderaudubon.org to print the registration form.

Snowy Owl



Photo by Paul Bannick, from *The Owl and the Woodpecker*. See the June program description, page 1.

The Problem with Coal, the Promise of Efficiency

At a March 5 Washington, D.C., forum sponsored by Hitachi Ltd. and co-organized by the Brookings Institution and AAAS, researchers and business leaders suggested that to protect the earth's climate, it is immediately important to control the harmful impact of coal and use its power more efficiently.

The forum generated a surprising, albeit cautious, optimism: Efficiency could be the most readily available, least expensive, and most effective approach to reducing emissions. "Energy efficiency is the near-term essential thing to do because we can wake up and start doing it tomorrow morning," said William Moomaw, director of the Center for International Environment and Resource Policy at Tufts University.

Several speakers said that coal will remain a key power source. And until other sources come online, conservation and efficiency are the best means for reducing demand for electricity and emissions from coal-fired plants. In his keynote speech, Sen. John Kerry cited a recent report by McKinsey & Company which found that energy efficiency alone could yield almost 40% of needed emission reductions.

"Energy efficiency is the world's greatest resource," said Kateri Callahan, president of the Alliance to Save Energy. The United States has "turned to it time and again over the past 30 years to power our economy."

Without past efficiency improvements, Callahan explained, the nation would need to produce 50% more energy today than it does. And the 2007 federal law phasing out incandescent bulbs by 2014 will save as much energy as all other federal appliance standards adopted since 1980.

While dozens of coal-fired power plants have recently been cancelled in the United States, speakers noted such plants still account for 50% of the nation's electricity, and 70% in China. In India, coal-related industries employ 26 million people.

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Bald Eagle (rare nesting) with **Steve Jones**. Sunday, May 31, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. We'll get clear views of nesting bald eagles in Weld County, then continue on to Barr Lake to scope out bald eagles, pelicans, ducks, and prairie songbirds from the marsh boardwalk. Enjoy a sumptuous picnic brunch at Barr Lake accompanied by yellow warbler, oriole, and kingbird song. 303-494-2468; curlwsj@comcast.net. \$60

Burrowing Owl (rare and declining) with **Deb and Chris Abrahamson**. Sunday, June 28, 4-8 pm. On an early summer evening, we'll explore 3 or 4 burrowing owl colonies in Weld and Adams County. This year's juvenile owls should be visible as they begin their fledging antics. We'll enjoy a picnic dinner at nearby Barr Lake State Park followed by a boardwalk ramble to view songbirds, waterfowl, and raptors. 303-565-9742; cabrahamson@hotmail.com. \$50

Osprey (isolated and restricted) and **Northern Harrier** (rare nesting), with **Mark and Sue Ponsor**. Saturday, June 13, 4-8 pm. Enjoy a summer evening at Boulder Reservoir observing the only recently active northern harrier nest in Boulder County. With luck, we might see a mid-air food exchange. After gourmet snacks, we'll watch the nesting ospreys and learn about their comeback at Boulder Reservoir. There's also a good chance that we'll hear and/or see American bitterns. 303-530-2229; s.ponsor@comcast.net. \$45

American Bittern (rare and declining) and **Green Heron** (rare) with **Petrea Mah**. Sunday, June 14, 6am to 10am. Relax in the early morning quiet and be thrilled by the intriguing call of the American bittern as we stroll Walden and Sawhill Ponds. Observe the silent work of the great blue herons on nest with their young while keeping an eye out of the green herons. Waterbirds of all types abound on this trip and the early morning music of their song will create a perfect mood music for a brunch created by a professional chef. 303-494-4121; petreamah@comcast.net. \$40

Flammulated Owl (isolated and restricted) with **Steve Jones**. Wednesday, June 24, 6-10:30 p.m. After a gourmet picnic at dusk, we'll stroll down a remote foothills canyon to listen for poorwills, nighthawks, and reclusive flammulated owls. Expect vibrant wildflower displays as we explore the diverse streamside plant communities where these little owls thrive. 303-494-2468; curlwsj@comcast.net. \$35

Barn Owl (rare nesting) with **Pam Piombino** and **Carol Cushman**. Saturday, August 1, 5-10 p.m. Start this evening at Carol's home where we'll feast on Pam's Egyptian "mezzes" (Persian word for oriental finger food) and Carol's cake and ice cream. For several years a pair of Swainson's Hawks and American Kestrels have nested within view of the dining table. After dinner, it will be on to Boulder Reservoir to look for nesting osprey, owls, and perhaps wood ducks. Lastly, we will visit one or two known nesting sites in northern Boulder County to hear and, with luck, see this most lovely of owls. cushmanr@colorado.edu (303) 604-2250. \$30

Bobolinks (isolated and restricted) with **Linda Andes-Georges**. Saturday, May 30, 6-11 a.m. One of the best singers of the "blackbird" family, and one of the spiffiest with its backwards tuxedo and creamy beret, our bobolink lives on the westernmost edge of its natural range. It likes moist (but not marshy) mature hayfields, and Boulder County still has a few good ones. We are in exclusive company, as only three counties in the state had confirmed bobolink nesters in the last breeding census. Enjoy a catered (nibbles and sparkly refreshments) field trip to search for this species of concern in Boulder's sweet grassy meadows, amid the song of meadowlarks and migrating sparrows. andes-georges@comcast.net. \$20

**Contact leaders directly, or you can download a mail-in form at
<http://www.boulderaudubon.org/pdf/concern-a-thon.pdf>**



2008: An Overview of the Boulder County Wildlife Inventory

2008 was a record year with 312 bird species seen in Boulder County, surpassing the previous high of 308 species in 2002. This brings us to the third year in a row with over three hundred species. Some of this is surely due to improvements in technology enabling birders to communicate with one another efficiently. This year there was a really strong spring migration that began early and continued late. No sooner had one person reported a rarity than another seemed to find something else unusual in the same location. Although May was a really good month for birdwatchers, it was April and June that broke all previous records. Many of our less usual vireos and warblers were reported. Four species were new and very exciting sightings for Boulder County. They were Hudsonian Godwit, Ruff and Louisiana Waterthrush all seen in the spring, and Slaty-backed Gull seen in November. Fortunately, many people were able to observe these birds. There seemed to be no obviously missing common birds from our list in 2008. Altogether 312 avian, 31 mammalian, 4 reptilian and 1 amphibian species were reported to the Boulder County Wildlife Inventory. This continues a trend of increased reporting of bird species but declines in the reports of mammals, amphibians and reptiles.

Reported in 2008 but not in 2007

Brown Pelican
 Little Blue Heron
 Black-bellied Plover
 Hudsonian Godwit
 White-rumped Sandpiper
 Dunlin
 Ruff
 Slaty-backed Gull
 Least Tern
 Yellow-billed Cuckoo
 Vermillion Flycatcher
 Carolina Wren
 Bewick's Wren
 Veery
 White-eyed Vireo
 Yellow-throated Vireo
 Philadelphia Vireo

Reported in 2008 but not in 2007

Northern Parula
 Black-throated Blue Warbler
 Black-throated Gray Warbler
 Blackburnian Warbler
 Yellow-throated Warbler
 Prairie Warbler
 Blackpoll Warbler
 Louisiana Waterthrush
 Northern Waterthrush
 Hooded Warbler
 Summer Tanager
 Field Sparrow
 Black-throated Sparrow
Reported in 2007 but not in 2008
 Pacific Loon
 Red-throated Loon
 Trumpeter Swan

Reported in 2007 but not in 2008

Brant
 White-winged Scoter
 Black Scoter
 Chukar
 Ross's Gull
 Ruby-throated Hummingbird
 Red-headed Woodpecker
 Eastern Wood Pewee
 Chihuahan Raven
 Gray-cheeked Thrush
 Varied Thrush
 Black-throated Green Warbler
 Palm Warbler
 Prothonotary Warbler
 Golden-crowned Sparrow
 Dickcissel
 Baltimore Oriole

Month-by-Month Avian Species Totals

Year	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
January	90	90	96	89	98	103	108	122	99	101	99
February	75	97	86	91	89	95	106	112	98	96	90
March	90	120	96	97	115	100	116	105	118	98	112
April	151	137	134	155	170	150	136	159	154	147	179
May	205	221	199	203	243	211	214	201	218	170	236
June	171	164	164	153	159	155	168	161	147	164	177
July	167	150	153	132	173	113	147	137	152	153	166
August	147	139	166	125	177	111	144	152	156	151	152
September	157	165	178	146	172	145	175	154	166	164	171
October	129	118	139	124	149	102	107	141	126	126	119
November	113	101	114	118	112	113	111	105	125	121	111
December	111	114	116	118	125	115	122	123	121	123	117
Year Total	275	286	279	276	308	290	298	286	302	302	312

**Boulder County Audubon Society
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Vote at the May 26 meeting or send ballot to BCAS at:
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**Ponderosa Pine Forests:
Exploring Ecological Relationships,**

with **Dianne Andrews** and **Steve Jones**. Thursday evening, June 4; Sunday, June 7; Sunday, June 21. \$90. 303-823-6779.

Flowers of the Alpine Tundra, with **Joyce Gellhorn**. Thursday evening, July 16; Friday, July 17. \$60. 303-442-8123.

Stalking the High Country Butterflies, with **Jan Chu** and **Larry Crowley**. Wednesday evening, July 22; Friday, July 24; Monday, July 27. \$105. 303-494-1108.

Exploring Colorado Hummingbirds, with **Steve Bouricius**. Sunday, July 26, 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. \$65. 970-434-5918.

Pika Encounter, with **Chris Ray**. Thursday evening, August 6; Saturday, August 8. \$65. 303-489-8863.

Mushrooms of the Front Range, with Rob Hallock. Thursday evening, August 13; Saturday, August 15; Saturday, August 29. \$75. 720-480-4452.

Grassland Ecology, with **Steve Jones**. Thursday evening, August 20; Saturday, August 22, Wednesday-Thursday (camping), September 30-October 1. \$90. 303-494-2468.

Ouzel Fire Revisited, with **Joyce Gellhorn**. Monday evening, September 14; Tuesday, September 15. \$60. 303-442-8123.

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