

2011 FIELD TRIPS FOR NORTHWEST ARKANSAS AUDUBON SOCIETY

All NWAAS field trips are free and open to the public. Membership in NWAAS is not a requirement. We try to make our field trips accessible to everyone, all ages & all abilities. Additional details & updates about trips are sent via email a few weeks before the announced date. We try to have field trips on Saturdays and Sundays to accommodate different schedules. For maps and more information about these places, check the Northwest Arkansas Audubon Society web site (nwarkaudubon.org) and the section "Places to bird in northwest Arkansas."

January 22, 2010 (Saturday). Rocky Branch on Beaver Lake and Hobbes State Park-Conservation Area. Meet at 9 AM at Hobbes SP for a caravan down to Rocky Branch (5 miles). We will be looking for all kinds of water birds. We will return to the park by noon (bring your lunch if you are staying). We will bird in the upland shortleaf pines in the area near the park visitor's center.

February 19, 2011 (Saturday evening). American Woodcock field trip to Wedington Wildlife Management Area (Ozark NF west of Fayetteville). Field trip led by woodcock expert David Kremetz. Meeting time: 5:30 PM at Wedington WMA.

March 26, 2011 (Saturday). Trip to mature shortleaf pine habitat in the Shores Lake area of Ozark National Forest. Leader is Bill Beall, veteran birder from Ft Smith (and now the NWAAS Treasurer). We will be seeking Brown-headed Nuthatches and other birds typical of pine forests. Meet at 9 AM at the Shores Lake picnic area entrance on the west side of the lake. You can show up earlier if you wish!

April 17, 2011 (Sunday). Woolsey Wet Prairie and Wilson Springs. Meet at 8 AM in the parking area near the front gates of the wastewater treatment plant.

May 6 & 7, 2011 (Friday and Saturday). Birder's Weekend at Devil's Den State Park. The field trip will be on **Saturday May 6**; meet at Lee Creek bridge parking area in the park at 9 AM.

May 13 & 14, 2011 (Saturday and Sunday). International Migratory Bird Day in Benton and Washington counties, with additional counts in at least Carroll County. Coordinated by Mike Mlodinow for Washington and Benton counties.

June 5, 2011 (Sunday). Cave Mountain and the upper Buffalo River in Newton County. Meet at the Boxley Bridge at 8 AM.

July 10, 2011 (Sunday). Chesney Prairie Natural Area. Meet at Chesney at 8 AM.

August 13, 2011 (Saturday). Craig State Fish Hatchery at Centerton. Meet in the parking lot at the hatchery at 8 AM.

September 11, 2011 (Sunday). Lake Atalanta in Rogers. Meet at 9 AM in the parking area near the bathrooms.

October 1, 2011 (Saturday). Ninestone Land Trust in Carroll County. Meet at 9 AM at Ninestone.

November 20, 2011 (Sunday). Lake Fayetteville. Meet at 9 AM in parking lot on the north end of the dam (near ball fields and entrance to the boat dock).

December 2011. Fayetteville Christmas Bird Count. (Date to be announced.)