

BlackHawk Watch

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November Programs

Sedona: November 17, 2021, Member's Night

Member's Night happens at the Sedona Library on Wednesday Nov. 17, 2021, at 6:00 pm. We are truly thankful to be back together again and what better way than to have our members share in the monthly program. The NAAS meeting for November will feature you as the guest speaker! While only planned for Sedona, those ATR may join in too. You get the floor for up to 5 minutes. Submit up to five photos (they don't have to be yours) via email to Nanette at nancearmstrong@gmail.com. These slides will be projected onto the screen. No photos necessary—just tell us a story. The photos do not have to be birds, but anything nature related is fine. Deadline to submit photos is Nov. 14. Thanksgiving themed snacks will be served. Social time 5:30. Program starts at 6:00.

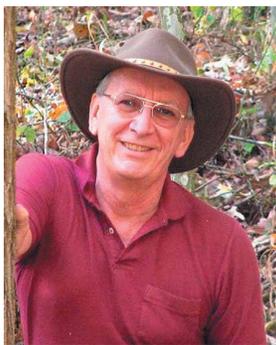
Flagstaff: November 23, 2021, Time: 7:00 pm (Tuesday)

Location: Zoom and Facebook Live

Biology 101 In The Grand Canyon

Presenter: Dennis Tomko

The presenter is Dennis Tomko who is the Vice President of Northern Arizona Audubon Society. Dennis is one of our more senior members and got his bachelor's degree in 1967 from the University of Dayton, Ohio. He moved to Flagstaff in 1971 and earned a Master's in Biology from NAU in 1975. Upon arriving in Flagstaff, he got a part



time job with the Museum of Northern Arizona as a Herpetologist and found that he spent far more time at the MNA than at NAU. During the early 1970s, MNA was deeply involved with baseline Biology along the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon and this project accounted for most of Dennis' time at MNA. In 1976, the Grand Canyon grant expired, Dennis' first child was born, he bought his first house, and he found himself in the life insurance industry. Following the wrong

turn into life insurance, Dennis became a cable TV engineer and system manager, a manager of a two-way radio business, a cellular and satellite business owner, and the Office Manager for a real estate company. Sometimes Dennis wakes up a bit confused.

The program deals with the early 1970s when the MNA (and Dennis – they let me come, too) was awarded a grant by the National Park

Service to do baseline biological research along the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon. The motivation for the project centered around the Park's need to implement a management program to administer the sudden increase in user days the rafting companies had in response to the changed and stabilized conditions created by the completion of Glen Canyon Dam in 1963. There had never been a formal biological survey made along the River and the NPS needed to know what the resources were that it was managing. We obtained two oar powered rafts, made many hikes and logged many hours of helicopter time. This program concentrates on what we found in terms of human impact and what we offered as recommendations for the management of the Canyon's deep riparian corridor.

Zoom presentation Nov. 23, 2021 at 7:00PM.

www.facebook.com/NAZAudubon. Look under "Events" for more information.

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER!!

Prior to the turn of the 20th century, hunters engaged in a holiday tradition known as the Christmas "Side Hunt." They would choose sides and go afield with their guns—whoever brought in the biggest pile of feathered (and furred) quarry won. When people put their rifles away and began to count birds instead, the first citizen science project was born. In the last 120 years, this tradition has become a holiday favorite for birders and more and more birders are involved. Despite COVID, in 2020 the "CBC had a remarkable total of 2,646 counts included in the 120th CBC database (up from the 119th Count then-record 2,616). These counts had 81,601 total observers (71,040 in the field plus 10,561 feeder watchers), also up over the 119th Count's 79,000+ counters. Of the 2,646 counts, 469 are included from Canada, 1,992 from the United States, and 185 from Latin America, the Caribbean, and the Pacific Islands."

Besides being fun because one never knows what surprises are in store for unusual sightings and numbers of birds, the data are very useful for evaluating the status of birds. Recent articles show that bird numbers are declining significantly. That's why it is so important to collect this data which help direct interventions where birds are having most difficulty.

Here are the four CBCs that NAAS conducts and their leaders. Please contact the leader to let her/him know you want to help. Do as many as you can:

1. Sedona - Friday, Dec 17th - Rich Armstrong, coordinator, richarmstrong47@gmail.com
2. Jerome/Cottonwood - Sunday, Dec 19th - Rob Gibbs, Coordinator, robgibbs54@gmail.com
3. Flagstaff - Saturday, Jan 1st - Terry Blows, coordinator, terence.blows@nau.edu
4. Camp Verde - Sunday, Jan 2nd - Kay Hawkle, coordinator, khawkle@gmail.com



BlackHawk Watch is going digital. Starting March 2022 this Newsletter can be viewed online at [northernarizonaaudubon.org](https://www.northernarizonaaudubon.org)

All monthly Facebook Live programs are archived on the NAAS Facebook page



President's Message

November 2021

President's Report

I wanted to focus on Field Trips this edition of the BlackHawk Watch because that's one of the major ways we get to physically interact with those who have a similar love for birds and bird watching. It's both fun and educational to stand on the deck at the Wetlands on a fall morning and enjoy new arrivals of Wintering Waterbirds together. Sunday, October 17th, at Rich Armstrong's Wetlands field trip the weather and the variety of birds couldn't have been better! Many folks came out to peer through three scopes to get great views of three different species of Grebes: Western Grebe (discussed the difference between that and Clark's Grebe), Eared Grebe, and Pied-billed Grebes.

At this field trip, I overheard a participant say that they liked the fact that Meetup sent them a reminder about the Field Trip. Reminders are always good things. Join Meetup Groups: Flagstaff Birders and Sedona Birders and sign up to attend a Field Trip to get a reminder.

Because of Meetup, we have gotten folks who do not even know about NAAS; but who are interested in bird watching to join our Field Trips. We welcome members and non-members to all Field Trips.

We post Field Trips in a variety of places:

Northern Arizona Audubon Society Facebook Page under "Events", NAAS Website - Calendar page, eBlast, NAAS website subscription, BlackHawk Watch, and Meetup. We are making better use of cutting-edge digital ways to alert our members and the broader community to Field Trips. Please check our Facebook page under "Events". And/or download the free Meetup App to make sure you don't miss

any upcoming bird walks.

Christmas Bird Counts will be supported by NAAS this year. Last year was weird – Covid definitely impacted the CBCs. Decisions on caravanning vs. carpooling made the event less fun than in previous years. Riding together and screaming out, "American Kestrel" on a telephone wire to be added to the day's list is definitely part of the fun. But most of us opted to caravan. Some with walkie talkies so that we'd all get alerted. Frankly, it's been difficult to negotiate CDC guidelines and trip/team leaders' boundaries. We have field trip leaders who range from never wearing a mask outside to requiring small groups per CDC guidelines - that change every few months. Personal responsibility for your health has become my default policy. I urge everyone to do what feels most comfortable to protect your health.

It has been my stance as President that we do not want to make our Field Trip leaders become mask police. That said, leaders need to feel comfortable with their surroundings too. So, please check the NAAS Calendar for information about trip leader's specific requirements.

Whether you attend a Field Trip or not, I thank you for your support of the NAAS Mission:

"To promote the understanding and appreciation of birds and other wildlife and the conservation and restoration of their natural habitats."

Sanctuary Bird Walks: NAAS helps conserve birds natural habitat by ongoing efforts of our Sanctuaries and Stewards of those Sanctuaries. We've had field trips at each of our Sanctuaries: Sedona Wetlands, Kachina Wetlands, Bubbling Ponds Preserve, and Picture Canyon. If you want to enjoy our Sanctuaries, please review the above-mentioned platforms to attend a NAAS Field Trip. And Happy Birding out there!

Kay Hawklee

Two Different Rare Birds

by Rich Armstrong

In November 2020 I found a Red Phalarope at the Sedona Wetlands, a rarity inland. I sent out an email alerting everyone and called people on the phone. The bird was back and forth from the sewage plant to the big pond all day, and luckily, all the next day. I was out there both days and 14 people got there to see it including some from Prescott. It was a wonderful experience. I



enjoyed helping birders see this bird. In September 2021 I watched a Sabine's Gull arrive at the Sedona Wetlands. I rushed home and sent out an email alerting everyone

and called about 12 people on the phone. A few people rushed out, but unfortunately the bird was gone. Now why an ocean bird that must have just flown over many miles of desert and lucked out finding the Sedona Wetlands with a place to rest and food to eat would leave almost immediately is beyond me, but it left. So unfortunately this bird was seen by only me.



Instead of being a wonderful experience it left me sort of flat because nobody else saw it. Finding a rare bird is always a great experience, but for me, being able to share it with others is even greater!

Rich Armstrong



Interesting Websites

Enjoy looking at these websites, a YouTube Series, and a documentary this summer.

<https://www.audubon.org/menu/press-room>

This is a National Audubon Society news page that is constantly being updated. Please take a few minutes and visit it often.

<https://www.audubon.org/joy-of-birds>

Birds bring us happiness in so many ways—especially in trying times. Whether you're just looking for a lift, unable to enjoy the outdoors, or in desperate need of distraction, look no further than this National Audubon page.

National Audubon Society also has an article about the fascinating Netflix documentary, *Dancing Birds*, that will make you smile: <https://www.audubon.org/news/in-netflixs-dancing-birds-we-see-other-side-bizarrevian-spectacle>

<https://thebirdersshow.com>

The Birders Show is a YouTube Series for everyone that loves birdwatching, nature, travel, and adventure.

<https://ebird.org/quiz/>

Practice your skills and help science using your Cornell Lab eBird account.

<https://www.allaboutbirds.org/news/>

This website page has live cams and *Virtual Birding* Around the World with videos, quizzes and sounds.

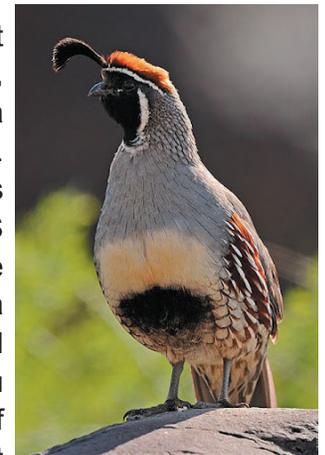
<https://www.birdnote.org/>

This is a public media program that brings hope and joy to people with two-minute shows each day.

Yardie Award Recipient Announcement

by Rich Armstrong

Northern Arizona Audubon Society is sponsoring a program for its members—the Yardie Award, for identifying bird species in your yard. Founded by member Terry Blows many years ago as a 100 Yardie Award, NAAS has picked it up and is flying with it. The rules for keeping a yard list are: count any species you can identify when you are in your yard. For instance, if you hear a distant Gambel's Quail, or see a soaring Bald Eagle when you are in your yard they count; as well as, birds that are physically in your yard. Is your yard a tiny plot or over an acre? No matter, get counting! The award is a tiered system. Start simply. If you get to 25 yard birds (25 different species) NAAS will print your name in the newsletter and present you a certificate. If you get to 50 yard birds NAAS will present you with a plaque with a picture of any bird you choose. If you get



to 75 yard birds, you'll get an addition to your plaque. At 100 yard birds NAAS will present you with a new fancier plaque, again with pictures of 2 or 3 birds of your choice, and on to 125, 150, 175 for fancier plaques. These yardie awards will be presented or announced at NAAS meetings and in the Blackhawk Watch. Our goals are many. We want to foster an interest in birding and data keeping, encourage providing feeders and wildlife



habitat in your yard, get more people interested in becoming a feeder watcher for a Christmas Bird Count, and have one of you maybe be the next to find a rare bird! So start keeping a yard list or update your yard list, and watch for

new species in your yard. When you hit 25, or if you've already hit any milestone, submit your list(s) to Rich Armstrong (richarmstrong47@gmail.com) if you live below the rim, and to Terry Blows (terence.blows@nau.edu) if you live above the rim.

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Staying Connected at Northern Arizona Audubon Society

(includes updated information)

Here's how we are staying connected at **Northern Arizona Audubon Society (NAAS)**:

Website: <http://www.northernarizonaaudubon.org> In addition to visiting the website, you can subscribe to get email updates about new content and articles. On the home page of the website, complete the box in the bottom right corner with your name and email address.

Eblast emails from NAAS, usually twice per month

Facebook: Northern Arizona Audubon Society (check this page frequently for updates) <https://www.facebook.com/Northern-Arizona-Audubon-Society-678850928825284/>
All monthly Facebook Live programs (Sept, 2020 to May, 2021) are archived on the NAAS Facebook page

National Audubon Society, our chapter's parent organization, is at <https://www.audubon.org>

The **BlackHawk Watch** (BHW) newsletter is published September, November, January, March, and May. Articles are welcome from members and non-members. Send proposed articles and questions nazaudubon@northernarizonaaudubon.org by the 15th of the month preceding the publication month.

NOTE: The BHW is posted to the NAAS website in color with live links. Click the green buttons at the bottom left corner of the home page to access either the current newsletter or an archived newsletter (back to 2011). The print version of the BHW will eventually be replaced by an online version distribution.

Instagram

"Bringing you closer to the people and the things you love." Follow NAAS on its new Instagram. Look for beautiful and fun photos of our people and birds.

Meetup Groups: Flagstaff Birders. Sedona Birders.

"Meetup is a platform for finding and building local communities. People use Meetup to meet new people, learn new things, find support, get out of their comfort zones, and pursue their passions, together." Download the App and join the two new Meetup groups: Flagstaff Birders & Sedona Birders to learn about spontaneous, informal bird watching events that fit into your schedule.

And instead of reading about birding, why not write some news of your own? We would enjoy hearing your birding stories to entertain and encourage others. Topics could include how you started birding. Did you have a spark bird? What would you consider your strongest interest or expertise and what resources or tools did you learn from? Where are your favorite birding spots or vacations that you have enjoyed most? Do you have a story about tracking down a rare bird? And of course, there is always the interesting

backyard bird watching story and how you have made your home landscapes attractive to birds. Please send your stories here: nazaudubon@northernarizonaaudubon.org. We will do some editing, if needed, and will post a photo or two with it.



The BlackHawk Watch (BHW) newsletter is going digital. Please see the NAAS website as of March 2022 for your digital version of the BHW. The BHW will be in color with live links that will automatically take you to the materials that we believe you might enjoy. Articles and welcome from members and non-members.

Send proposed articles to Dennis Tomko at nazaudubon@northernarizonaaudubon.org

Winter Ducks

Last winter a few ducks began coming into our yard in the early morning. At first, we sat & watched, totally



quiet and not moving a muscle (or lifting a cup of coffee!) for fear we would scare them away (Little did we know!). Next we scattered a little feed for them on the ground in the evening. Soon more were coming each morning. Excitement each time a few more showed up. At the high

point of winter, we had over 120 ducks (Mallards and Wood Ducks) coming each morning. Then a "visitor" duck started arriving with the Mallards - a Mexican Duck! He looks similar to the female Mallards, but has a yellow bill and no curl on the



tail. Once in a while, Kip would just turn around in a circle as he spread out the feed (See photos of ducks in a ring!). All eating, then suddenly - all heads up! False alarm, back to eating. When something finally scared them (a deer, a dog, us), they all flew at once,



a flapping of hundreds of wings we could hear inside the house. Dust and feathers flew! By spring, they had literally cleared a big feeding circle in the backyard. Then slowly, they came in fewer numbers, until spring when they

stopped coming all together, off to other natural feeding areas, perhaps.

Laura & Kip Stransky



Due to rise in COVID cases at the time of publishing, please check the NAAS Website Calendar and Facebook page for updated information about possible changes to field trips; including additions! Join the new Meetup Group: Flagstaff Birders and Sedona Birders, to find spontaneous bird walks!

Kachina Wetlands Saturday, November 6th, 8:00 - 11:00 am.

Meet in the parking area. Bring binoculars if you have them, warm clothes, a hat, sunscreen, and water. The route is accessible to wheelchairs (flat dirt road). The distance is approximately 2 miles, and there are no restrooms. For more information, contact Tom Hedwall at tshedwall@gmail.com.

Sedona Wetlands Preserve Sunday November 7th, 9:30 - 10:45.

Meet at the Sedona Wetlands parking lot at 9:30 and we will do just over an hour walk out to the big pond and back. Great trip for beginners. We hope for ducks and wintering birds. Rich Armstrong will lead. richarmstrong47@gmail.com. 928-282-3675.

Picture Canyon November 12, 8:30.

There is a portable toilet available at the trail parking area. It is an easy walk that will take between 2.5 hours and 3.5 hours, all depending on birds. All vaccinated member and non-members are welcome, but I will only have space for 8 people. Text: 928-707-0610—I do not answer phone calls from numbers that are not in my contacts, but I do answer texts. Email- ds_mcmahon@yahoo.com

Dead Horse State Park Saturday Nov 13th, 8-11 am.

Meet at the first lagoon near restrooms. Bring binoculars, hat, water, and snack. If you do not have an annual state park pass, the entry fee is \$7 or call to arrange for car pooling. Kristen Rothrock will lead: bkrothrock@gmail.com, 928-634 3633.

Sedona Wetlands Preserve Sunday November 21, 9:30–

10:45. Meet at the Sedona Wetlands parking lot at 9:30 and we will do a just over an hour walk out to the big pond and back. Great trip for beginners. We hope for ducks and wintering birds. Rich Armstrong will lead. richarmstrong47@gmail.com, 928-282-3675.

Bubbling Ponds at Page Springs Wednesday, Dec 1st, 8:30-

11:30. Meet at the dirt parking lot, no restrooms. We will be exploring the riparian corridor along Oak Creek, hatchery open ponds and Mesquite Bosque walking the Black Hawk Loop. Bring binoculars, field guide, hat, water and snacks. Contact Lisa Grubbs for more info: 928-592-3684

Sedona Wetlands Preserve Sunday December 12, 9:30–

10:45. Meet at the Sedona Wetlands parking lot at 9:30 and we will do a just over an hour walk out to the big pond and back. Great trip for beginners. We hope for ducks and wintering birds. Rich Armstrong will lead. richarmstrong47@gmail.com, 928-282-3675.

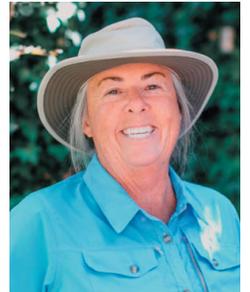
Be sure to check out the brand new Meetup Groups: “Flagstaff Birders” and “Sedona Birders”. A couple of enterprising NAAS members, Jake Abel and Maya Rappaport, formed a Meetup group in Flagstaff for those who want to go bird watching. The Flagstaff group has 53 members. They are “... an inclusive group,

so people of all backgrounds, lifestyles and perspectives are highly encouraged to participate.” The Sedona Birders Meetup Group has 32 members. All Field trips are posted and you will even get a reminder that prompts you to attend the walk you have signed up for. Sign up, pass the word, and let’s go birding!

Field Guide Bios

Lisa Grubbs:

My love affair with nature, wildlife and especially birds began when I was very little wandering forests in the Rocky Mountains. Over the years, I have enjoyed birds everywhere I go with a special appreciation for the Gulf Coast of Texas and Colorado. Upon moving to the Verde Valley, I was amazed at the variety of habitats and species. I was fortunate to be mentored by Dena Greenwood, who shared her special magic and expertise of birding by ear. I am the dedicated bird guide for a private resort, lead field trips for the Bird Festival, our Audubon chapter, participate in surveys, Christmas bird counts and the occasional chase for that rare bird. My home away from home is Bubbling Ponds Preserve. I am fascinated with the many aspects of birds: their beauty, intelligence, communication, personalities and especially their behavior. My favorite way to experience birds is to simply be with them - watching, listening and pondering their mysteries.



Rita Faruki:

Rita Faruki has been a nature guide in the Verde Valley since 2014. Rita leads birding and naturalist hikes for Enchantment Resort in Sedona, for Yavapai College and as part of her private business, Sacred Earth Walks. Prior to moving to the Verde Valley, 10/17/2021-11/17/2021 she taught environmental education and led nature experiences in Wyoming for The Nature Conservancy. She was also a docent at the Rio Grande Zoo in Albuquerque, New Mexico where she specialized in cats, wolves and raptors and developed educational materials for the visiting public. Currently she is teaching earth-based spirituality classes in Sedona. Rita is a lover of all things wild and enjoys assisting people to be outdoors in a very conscious and mindful way.



Debby McMahon:

For over 20 years I have been a member of Audubon, but only active since Summer of 2016 when I retired from Department of Defense as a secondary science and gifted education teacher. I was employed 5 years as a seasonal biotech with the Kaibab Forest Service doing Goshawk and Mexican Spotted Owl surveys, but mainly Goshawks. I was employed four years with Arizona Game and Fish Research Branch, and during that time I worked on projects involving



Field Guide Bios Continued

spring and fall passerine migration of both grasslands in AZ and on Mt. Trumbull.

I volunteer with Coconino Forest Service as a Peregrine falcon monitor on nest sites on our forest. I have volunteered with White-breasted nuthatch and Pinyon Jay surveys with the Northern AZ Audubon in Flagstaff. For years I have volunteered for the Christmas Bird Count, dating back to the mid 1980's.

Other volunteer work includes the Flagstaff Trails Initiative as a board member, and volunteer at the Food Bank as I believe in giving back to our community.

Most important is I am an avid birder and lead bird walks.

Brian Hofstetter:

"Brian is a high schooler at BASIS Flagstaff who has been birding since he was a toddler. He finds time for school and sports in between his birding excursions."

Anne Pellegrini:

Anne Pellegrini is an avian ecologist based out of Flagstaff. Since completing her Master's in Avian Science at UC Davis, she has had the good fortune to study behavior and movements in multiple avian species. When not working on a long-running project on southwestern willow flycatchers, she enjoys watching birds and the funny things they do.



Rich Armstrong:

Rich Armstrong got a PhD in Nuclear Inorganic Chemistry from Stanford. He spent 5 ½ years in the Army as a nuclear and chemical officer including jumping out of airplanes in Korea and as a Professor of Chemistry at West Point. He also spent 15 years in Army Reserves retiring as a Major. He worked 20 years for Texaco and was part of the team that invented long life coolant. He has been married to Nanette for 34 years and they have birded together in Texas, Oregon, most of North America, and now Arizona for 9 years. He is the NAAS steward of the Sedona Wetlands, and has led many field trips for NAAS.



Kristen Rothrock:

A long-time outdoorsy person, Kristen migrated from her childhood home in Arlington, Virginia through St. Louis where she went to college, finally settling in the Southwest. She and her husband, Bob, raised their children in Cottonwood where they taught school. Her love of exploring nature and the world of birds has been a passion for years not unlike her enjoyment of boating, camping, painting, gardening, reading, and travel.



Maya Rappaport

Maya Rappaport is a birder who has worked as a field biologist in Maine, New Hampshire, Utah, Colorado, Montana, and Arizona. In addition to their work as a biologist and science

communicator, Maya is a musician and visual artist who lives in Flagstaff.

Kay Hawklee:

Kay is President of NAAS and one of a group known as the "Birding Broads." She is doing an ABA "Big Year" and so far for 2021 has seen 648 species. Learning to live with exhaustion is part of doing a Big Year. Kay enjoys birding by ear and is always interested in learning more about birds and their behavior. Kay came into Audubon with a heart for bird habitat preservation; especially, conservation of our precious water sources.



Bird #600

On October 1, 2021, I saw and heard California Scrub-Jay making that ABA species #600 for my 2021 ABA Big Year. It was a species that NAAS members can relate to:

Attractive jay of oak woodlands, dry scrublands, and mixed pine-oak. Royal blue above with gray-brown back and light grayish underparts. Flight style is often distinctive, a series of quick wingbeats followed by a stiff glide. Typically in small groups. Listen for scratchy, nasal calls. Regularly visits backyards and feeders.

If all of that sounds familiar, it's because it is. In July of 2016, the "Western Jay" was split into Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay and California Scrub-Jay.

Most similar to Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay (and once considered the same species), but usually separable by range. Also note California Scrub-Jay is darker and more richly colored, with a more obvious blue breast band.

Another bird that is closely related is the Island Scrub-Jay is on Santa Cruz Island. This was my #624 on October 6th. "The island scrub-jay lives only on Santa Cruz Island, which means it has the smallest range of any North American bird species." (<https://www.nps.gov/chis/learn/nature/island-scrub-jay.htm>) The Channel Island National Park is accessible by a tourist-type boat trip.

But the star of the show on Santa Cruz is the tiny endemic fox about the size of a house cat! "The island fox is a small fox that is endemic to six of the eight Channel Islands of California. There are six subspecies, each unique to the island it lives on, reflecting its evolutionary history. They are generally docile, show little fear of humans, and are easily tamed."



Photo by Kay Hawklee

New & Renewing Members

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| Kip Stransky | Margrit & Alan Novack | Emily Renn | Melody Pawlowicz |
| Joyce Batezel | Beverly Sass | Diane Hafeman | Melissa Dunstan |
| Joan Steninger | Sue Ordway | Keith Oswald | Tori Marshall |
| Tina and Peter
Whitley-Angerbauer | Brent Bitz | Beverly Hagerman | James Wittke |
| Lynda McEvoy | David & Jeanne Sherry | Gary Verburg | Cory & Jerry Shaw |
| David Myers | Vicki & Keith Hedrick | John Sherman | Susan Meyer |
| Jamie Guy | Pat Scott | Paul Holmgren | June & Bruce Johnson |
| Nancy Boulay | E. / M. Garrison/Austin | Jeffrey Foster | Jeff Tanner |
| Ellen Fairchild | Ron & Glo Auler | Bernice Hall | Dawn Whitman |
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| Heather Hofling | Christina Vojta | Robert Bowser | Kristin Cryer |
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Brooks |
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Davis |
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| Richard Armstrong | Donald Hahn | Colleen Peck | Amy Zimmermann |
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Rick Moore | Gregory Griffin | Jody & Jeanie Humber |
| Bill Verdery | Elly Sands | Bill Verdery | Melanie Vuicich-Mallis |
| Joan Dewey | Kristin Cryer | Elen Roshier | Rebecca Jensen |
| Susan Bollinger | David Hayes | Charlie Schudson | Jack Hallin |
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| Katherine Hilton | Kevin Rand | Kathy Reitzel | Suellen Church |
| Jane Jackson | Ann Beck | Todd Hooe | Deirdre Peterson |
| Barbara Dickinson | Jackie Klieger &
Kathy Dunham | Michele Howell | Kyla Allen |
| Peter Runge | Sandra McCullough | Cindy Correll | Eva Searcy |
| Julie Paez | Charles Combs | Karen LeDonne | Amy Horn |
| Susan Schroeder | Jennifer Barnes | Dorrit Karasek | Kristin Cryer |
| Brittain Davis | Kristen Rothrock | Kreig Blankenship | Lisa Grubbs |
| Barbara Caballero | Roy-Janet May | Joseph Carver | Elizabeth Bruchman |
| Nina Fry | Gary Botello | Peter Motyka | Margaret Dyekman |
| Janell Leland | Wendy Tooker | Sherry Mangum | Trina Feldman |
| Kendra Noone | Chip & Kathy
Norton/Davis | James Bartlett | Debra Curtis |
| Jonathan Montgomery | John Kinnamon | Barrie Todd | Michael Erb |
| Karen Morris | Kay Hawkleee | Karen & Doug | Beth Kingsley Hawkins |
| Richard Lowery | MaryHelen Dunn | Rumble | |
| Nancy McDonald | | Carol Covington | |
| Kathy Reitzel | | Kelly Isley | |
| | | Martha McCartney | |

Our heartfelt thanks to those who have joined and renewed! We are putting your membership fees to good use protecting birds and their habitats. To see when your membership expires, look at the date next to your address on your newsletter.

Praise for NAAS Facebook Page

NAAS would like to sincerely thank Maya Rappaport, our Communications Coordinator, for her professional posts to our Facebook and Instagram pages. We contracted with Maya in September of 2021 and since then our Facebook page has taken off. We've had comments from out-of-state viewers such as Big Year Birders, Tammy & Dave McQuade from Florida. Local photographer, Wayne Johnson, also recently praised our posts and it's our sincere hope to feature some of his art soon!



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