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Bubbling Ponds Preserve - Wednesday Feb 23rd 8:30-11:30 Meet at dirt parking lot - no restrooms. We will be trolling around the ponds and walking the Black Hawk Trail loop through mesquite bosque, grasslands and riparian corridor along Oak Creek - approx 1.8mi on easy, mostly flat surface hoping for early Summer migrants as well as ongoing Winter birds and residents. Hats and sunscreen recommended. Bring binoculars, water, snacks, field guide and a scope if you like. Contact Lisa Grubbs for info 928-592-3684..

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Prescott Lakes: February 28, 2022. Meet at Sedona Safeway parking lot at 7:00 a.m. to combine cars if wanted. In Cottonwood meet at the Safeway parking lot at 7:30 a.m. We will caravan over Mingus Mtn to the Prescott lakes. We will bird both lakes taking 3 or more hours at the lakes. Will include walking the woods on the South side of Watson lake as well as the East side of Watson. Walk the South side of Willow. Targets are Waterfowl, Shore-birds, passerines. Bring food, layers of clothes, binoculars, camera & scope. There are bathroom facilities at the lakes. There is a \$3 entrance fee to both lakes. We will bird our way back over Mingus mtn. Plan on a full day - not returning to Cottonwood before 3-4:00 p.m.; however if you drive your own car, you are free to go at any time. Kay Hawklee leads. For more info text 432-703-0007 or email: khawklee@gmail.com

1. A HARRIS' SPARROW was reported at Dead Horse - sounds like same area where 1 has wintered last couple winters - camp host of group area which is 1st left after entering.
 2. Kristen Rothrock found a BLACK&WHITE WARBLER on her field trip to Clarkdale Stp/ Indian Springs. see her ebird report for directions.
 3. Lawrence's Goldfinches continue at feeders at dead horse
 4. Linda Sporer found a male RED-BREASTED MERGANSER at Dead Horse hanging out with Common Mergansers.
- Contributed by Rich Armstrong