



"Every Day a Bluebird Day"

**Talbot County Chapter
Maryland Ornithological Society
Schedule Spring 2010**

- Sunday, Jan. 10 Caroline County fields for Longspurs
Leader: Danny Poet (410-827-8651)
Depart Easton Acme parking lot at 7:00AM.
OR meet leader at Rte 50 & Rte 404 Park-and-Ride lot at 7:20AM.
- Sunday, Jan. 17
**Early Departure
6:30AM** Ocean City and environs for Harlequin duck, Eiders, Gannet, Purple
Sandpiper, Razorbill, Willet, Peregrine possible. Trip with MOS Youth.
Leader: Wayne Bell (410-820-6002) Depart Easton Acme parking lot
6:30AM. Meet leader at Ocean City Inlet, South jetty parking lot at
8:00AM. Bring lunch. Soup, drinks and warmth provided at trip leader's
condo at noon. Return to Easton 5-6:00PM.
- Sunday, Jan. 24 Bird Chase. Response to rare birds. Les Roslund to report target bird(s)
and locale. Depart Easton Acme parking lot at 7:00AM.
- Sunday, Jan. 31 Bird Chase. Response to rare birds. Les Roslund to report target bird(s)
and locale. Depart Easton Acme parking lot at 7:00AM.
- Thursday, Feb. 4
**Note: First
Thursday 7:00PM** Matt Whitbeck, wildlife biologist at Blackwater NWR, will talk about
Anahuac NWR on the Gulf Coast of Texas where he spent 12 years.
Anahuac provides habitat for wintering waterfowl of the Mississippi and
Central Flyways, as well as critical stopover habitat for many species of
migratory birds. The refuge also serves as breeding grounds for
numerous wetland and grassland dependent species. This part of the Gulf
Coast is renowned as a world class birdwatching location because of the
high bird diversity, primarily during the spring migration, and excellent
viewing opportunities.
7:00PM William Hill Manor Auditorium
- Sunday, Feb. 7
ALL DAY TRIP Blackwater NWR to Cedar Creek, Lower Dorchester County
looking for Rough Legged hawk, Short Eared Owls and others.
Leader: Dave Palmer (410-829-3376)
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00 A.M. Bring lunch.
- Sunday, Feb. 14 Bird Chase. Response to rare birds. Les Roslund to report target bird(s)
and locale. Depart Easton Acme parking lot at 7:00AM.
- Sunday, Feb. 21 Pickering Creek Audubon Center
Leader: Kelsey Frey (717-341-9564, PickeringCreek:410-822-4903x22)
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00AM. Meet leader at site.
Breakfast host: Staff of Pickering Creek Audubon Center

Talbot Bird Club
Schedule – Spring 2010
Page 2

- Sunday, Feb. 28 Wye Island
Leader: Danny Poet (410-827-8651)
Depart Easton Acme parking lot at 7:00AM
OR meet leader at Wye Island Bridge.
- Saturday, Mar. 6 MOS Board Meeting 10:00AM Adkins Arboretum.
Host: Caroline County Bird Club.
8:00AM bird walk led by Karen Harris and Amanda Spears.
- Sunday, Mar. 7 Bluestem (formerly Chino) Farms with Kent County Bird Club.
Leader: Wayne Bell (410-820-6002)
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00AM.
- Thursday, Mar. 11 Meeting. Kurt Schwarz, MOS Conservation Chair.
7:00PM “Aimophila Adventures: Most birders travel to southeast Arizona to seek such showy birds as Elegant Trogon and Flame-colored Tanager. Kurt spent the summer of 2009 in the region, and did look for such birds, but he also took time to study those little brown jobs that make Maryland sparrows appear downright gaudy. Kurt will show uncharacteristically in-focus pictures of many of Arizona's specialties such as Scott's Oriole and the ultimate LBJ, Botteri's Sparrow.”
7:00PM William Hill Manor Auditorium
- Sunday, Mar. 14 Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center (formerly Horsehead Sanctuary)
Bring lunch. Leader: Danny Poet (410-827-8651)
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00 A.M.
Or meet leader at CBEC at 7:30AM.
- Sunday, Mar. 21 Easton Waste Water Treatment Plant
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00 A.M.
Leader: Paul and Priscilla Thut (410-745-6657)
Breakfast: Patty Allen
- Sunday, Mar. 28 Cottingham Farm/Duval Farm wetland and grassland restoration projects for sparrows, raptors, and early spring migrants.
Leader: Wayne Bell (410-820-6002)
Breakfast: Margie Steffens
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00AM
- Sunday, Apr. 4 Bottomlands East of Route 50 for warblers
Leader: Jan Reese (410-745-2875)
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00AM
Breakfast: Bill Novak

**Talbot Bird Club
Schedule – Spring 2010
Page 3**

- Thursday, Apr. 8 Meeting 7:00PM Meeting: Steve Goodbred, formerly of Talbot County, and son Steven will describe their birding in Ecuador in the cloud forests of the eastern slope of the Andes. The Choco Bioregion has many endemic species. Situated on the Equator, the country has the world's highest diversity of bird species. 7:00PM William Hill Manor Auditorium
- Sunday, Apr. 11 Urban Birding. We will again bird the Target Shopping Center and nearby locations. Last year we found Purple Finches, Rusty Blackbirds, Snipe, Rough-winged Swallow and a nice assortment of birds in our search in and near Easton. Leader: Terry Allen (410-822-8132)
Breakfast: Jean & Ralph Crump at Londonderry
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00AM
- Sunday, Apr. 18 Hope House Leader: Les Roslund (410-763-8169)
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00AM. Breakfast: Carolyn Roslund
- Sunday, Apr. 25 Jean Ellen duPont Shehan Sanctuary for early migrants
Leader: Vince DeSanctis (410-886-2009)
Breakfast host: Jacqui Bonomo, Maryland-DC Audubon
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00AM
- Sunday, May 2
**ALL DAY.
EARLY
DEPARTURE
6:30AM** All day trip to Pocomoke Swamp. We will bird the edge of Nassawango Creek Preserve in search of migrant and resident songbirds with focus on warblers. Yellow-throated, Hooded, Kentucky, Yellow-breasted Chat, Prothonotary, N. Parula, Am Redstart, Black and White, and others are usually seen OR heard. Join the search and help us find a new bird or two. Last year we tallied 17 species of warblers.
Leader: Terry Allen (410-822-8132)
Bring lunch, drinks and insecticide.
Depart Easton Acme parking lot **6:30AM**
- Saturday, May 8 May Bird Count. Please contact leader to coordinate count areas.
Leader/Coordinator: Les Coble (410-820-6165 or lescoble@hughes.net)
- Sunday, May 9 Nomini Farm, Trappe
Leader: Wayne Bell (410-820-6002) and Paul Spitzer
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00AM
- Sunday, May 16
**ALL DAY.
EARLY
DEPARTURE** Bombay Hook, Delaware Shore.
Leader: Charles Hopkins (410-763-8742)
Bring lunch and bug spray.
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 6:30AM
- Sunday, May 23 Adkins Arboretum/Tuckahoe State Park. Leader: Dave Palmer (410-829-3376) Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00AM.
OR meet at Tuckahoe Lake parking lot at 8:00AM.

Sunday, May 30 Ferry Neck for late migrants and Warblers, such as Blackpoll and Bay Breasted, and wouldn't a Connecticut be GRAND?! Nesting landbirds are always fun. Leader: Les Coble (410-820-6165)
Breakfast: Priscilla and Paul Thut.
Depart Easton Acme parking lot 7:00AM

Fri-Sun, June 11-13 MOS Annual Meeting: Washington College

Wed., August 4 Poplar Island trip arranged by Talbot Bird Club.
SPECIAL TOUR Leader: Charles Hopkins. (410-763-8742) Registration required.
Meet Tilghman **Meet boat at Tilghman Island dock.**
Boat Dock 8:45AM **Boat leaves PROMPTLY 9:00AM. Returns at 1:00PM +/-.**

Our Thursday evening meetings begin at 7:00PM with the scheduled program followed by a business meeting. We meet in the auditorium at William Hill Manor at 501 Dutchmans Lane in Easton. William Hill Manor is on Dutchmans Lane between Route 50 and Washington Street, on the north side of the street. Drive in the main entrance off Dutchmans Lane and bear right in front of the main building. The auditorium is in the low building behind the main building. Or come to the main front desk and the receptionist will direct you to the auditorium.

Guests are always welcome at our walks, trips and meetings, including the Sunday morning breakfasts. To reserve your place at the table, just come along on the walk and be counted.

The Talbot e-mail birding hotline keeps members informed of sightings, regional rare bird alerts, and special announcements. Les Roslund maintains it and the subscription is free. To subscribe, send an e-mail message to any officer listed below, or send e-mail directly to Les (lroslund@bluecrab.org). Send bird sightings or bird alerts directly to Les. Selected sightings records and rare bird alerts of interest to Eastern Shore birders are also posted on the web site of the Washington College Center for the Environment and Society (<http://ces.washcoll.edu>).

We are grateful to all the landowners who have embraced our love of this region's wonderful array of resident and migratory birds and have invited us to enjoy them on their private properties. We also thank those who host the delicious breakfasts after many of our Sunday morning walks.

Talbot Chapter Officers -2009-2010

Cathy Cooper-President	410-822-3451	coopercw@goeaston.net
Terry Allen-Vice-President	410-822-8132	pattyallen10@hotmail.com
Secretary-Shirley Bailey	410-943-8925	shbailey39@comcast.net
Les Roslund-Treasurer	410-763-8169	lroslund@bluecrab.org