

Alan Devoe Bird Club

Spring 2024 Field Trip Schedule

JAN 7, 2024 EAGLE COUNT (morning)
SUN Coordinator: Marian Sole 203-710-9096

Meet 9:00 am at Stuyvesant Landing (off 9J intersection of CR-26A and Riverview Street). We will carpool and make stops along the Hudson River. Dress warmly and bring scopes if you have them. This count is part of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers project to determine the health and patterns of Bald Eagle populations.

JAN 14, 2024 **WATERFOWL COUNT (40th annual)**
SUN Coordinator: Chris Franks 518-781-0204

Meet 9:00 am at Stuyvesant Landing (off 9J intersection of CR-26A and Riverview Street). We will carpool and make stops along the Hudson River. Dress warmly and bring scopes if you have them. This count has been held every year since 1955 (except '68-'72) for monitoring New York wintering waterfowl.

Feb 10, 2024 CGCC NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM (2 morning sessions)
SAT Coordinator: Chris Franks 518-781-0204

Two sessions available 9:00 am and 11:00 am. Pre-register by contacting Chris Franks (cfranks65@yahoo.com). Twenty participants per session. Back by popular demand, Dr. Bill Cook, Professor Emeritus and curator of the Columbia-Greene Community College Natural History Museum will share some of the Museum's ornithological collection.

Meet 8:00 am-10:00 am at Ooms Conservation Area (480 Rock City Road, Chatham). CLC will lead this local count established by National Audubon Society and Cornell Lab of Ornithology in 1998 as the first online citizen-science bird project.

MAR 2, 2024 EICHYBUSH – SHRIKE SEARCH (morning)
SAT Coordinator: Drew Hopkins 518-653-4387

Meet 9:00 am at Lindenwald parking lot on Route 9H. We will look for Northern Shrike on Eichybush Road in Kinderhook. Northern Harrier and Rough-Legged Hawk are more likely than Northern Shrike. A juvenile shrike was sighted on Eichybush during 2020's Christmas Bird Count.

Mar 23, 2024 VOSBURGH SWAMP WMA w/HMBC (Greene County, morning)

SAT Coordinator: Alan Mapes 518-817-1512

Meet 8:00 am at the Four-mile Point Preserve parking lot on Four Mile Point Road. From Mansion Street in the Village of Coxsackie, go South on State Route 385 (Washington Ave), approximately 2.5 miles to a left turn onto Four Mile Point Road. Proceed to the bottom of the hill – parking area is straight ahead where the road takes a 90-degree bend to the right. We will look for resident birds and early migrants, Eastern Phoebe, Brown Creeper, Kinglets, and Fox Sparrow. The trail also provides access to views of the Hudson River and ponds for waterfowl.

APR 20, 2024 OOMS CONSERVATION AREA w/ PHOTO CLUB (morning)

SAT Coordinators: Sy Balsen 518-956-0755
Mike Birmingham 518-755-7469

Meet 8:00 am in the main parking lot of Ooms Conservation Area at 480 Rock City Road, Chatham, NY. Rock City Road is off State Route 295 (east) and Route 66 (west). Early start to the Spring Migration. Good mix of habitats fields and water. *This walk is open to all but will emphasize opportunities to photograph birds.*

APR 27, 2024 WILSON POWELL SANCTUARY w/Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club (morning)

SAT Coordinator: Kathy Schneider 518-248-8665

Meet 8:00 am at main parking lot off Hunt Club Road. Located off County Route 13, one mile southwest of the intersection of CR 13 and the Old Albany Turnpike (Old Chatham Village Square), take Pitt Hall Road, then a left on Hunt Club Road. Sanctuary entrance is on the right. The Sanctuary is owned & managed by the Alan Devoe Bird Club. Over 200 species including 20 warblers, have been recorded for this property.

MAY 11, 2024 CENTURY RUN (full day)

SAT Coordinators: Marcia Anderson 518-758-6433
Nancy Kern 518-392-0120

Join Alan Devoe Bird Club members and friends as we try to see and hear over 100 species in one day. Potluck lunch and tally at Nancy Kern's (483 Rigor Hill Rd, Chatham) the following day (Sunday May 12th) at 4:00 pm. This is our Club's main fund-raising event of the year. Please consider participating and/or sponsoring a birder.

May 18, 2024 Olana (morning)

SAT Coordinator: Frank Smith 917-254-1237

Meet 8:00 am at the main parking at top of hill by main house at Olana State Historic Site, Route 9G. Join us for this very popular (birders & birds) walk through Olana's artist-designed landscape while keeping eyes and ears open for spring migrants and breeding residents.

MAY 25, 2024 DROWNED LANDS SWAMP (morning)

SAT Coordinator: Marian Sole **203-710-9096**

Meet 7:30 am at the visitor parking lot of Drowned Lands Conservation Area on Route 3 in the township of Ancram (about 3.5 miles north of Ancramdale Route 82). Spring migrants including Yellow-throated Vireo, Green-winged and Blue-winged Teals, Nashville Warbler, Sora, and Virginia Rail have been seen or heard on this trip.

JUN 1, 2024 CLERMONT (morning)

SAT Coordinators: Eric Losh **304-676-6519**
Meghan Ryan **973-494-2228**

Meet 8 am at the parking lot for the Clermont State Historic Site. One mile north of Tivoli off Route 9G. This event is free for Alan Devoe Bird Club and Clermont members. Fields, gardens, woods, and river views. Come see why this is one of our more popular walks.

JUN 15, 2024 MOUNT LEBANON SHAKER (morning)

SAT Coordinator: Joanie Scheu **845-702-7564**

Meet 8:00 am at the Museum visitor parking lot. Introduction to bird songs and guided walk. The Museum is located at 202 Shaker Road off Route 20 in New Lebanon. The number of species reported here (via eBird) has reached 104 due to increased visits by birders.