

YUKON BIRD CLUB

Field Trips & Events – 2022

All are welcome!

For info email yukonbirdclub@yukonbirds.ca

#learntobird – outings for beginner birdwatchers!



(25 April, 2022 revision)

Spring

Sun 24 April: **Bird Banding 101!** Meet at 1 pm at Swan Haven, Marsh Lake--a Yukon Environment event (1.5 hours). Join the banding experts from the Society of Yukon Bird Observatories, who will talk about their banding projects and, weather permitting, demonstrate banding techniques. *#learntobird*

Mon 25 April: **Quartz Road wetlands** *#learntobird* with Jim Hawkings. Optional "Birds & Beer" mixer at Polarity following! Meet at Boston Pizza Parking lot at 5:30 pm. (1.5 hrs)

Mon 2 May: **Quartz Road wetlands** migration with Jim Hawkings. Meet at Boston Pizza Parking lot at 5:30 pm (1.5 hours). A wonderful outing for new birders.

Friday 6 May: Carcross – The annual **Dusky Grouse Nares Mtn hike** with Joel Luet. Meet at the gazebo opposite Montana Services 6:30pm. Dress for cool weather and wear sturdy footwear. (3 hrs)

Fri/Sun 6-8 May: Faro – Birding the **Crane and Sheep Festival**. View thousands of migrant cranes over the birding paradise of Faro. Meet at the Campbell Regional Interpretive Centre for information and events.

Sun 8 May – Enjoy a **bird walk around Nares Lake and Carcross** with Dan Patterson and Jim Hawkings. Meet 10am at the gazebo opposite Montana Services. (2.5 hrs)

Mon 9 May – **Quartz Road wetlands** with Jim Hawkings. Optional "Birds & Beer" mixer at Polarity following. Meet at Boston Pizza Parking lot 5:30 pm (1.5 hrs). *#learntobird*

Tue 10 May: Explore the **bird rich Yukon Wildlife Preserve** with Jake Paleczny and friends. Meet 5:45 pm. Entrance fee \$12 for non-members of the Wildlife Preserve (2 hrs). *#learntobird*

Sat 14 May: **The shorebirds of Swan Haven** (an Environment Yukon event). Meet at 10 am at Swan Haven, Marsh Lake (1.5 hours). The shores of Swan Haven boast much more than swans: sandpipers and snipes, yellowlegs and godwits! Expert birder Jukka Jantunen will sort it all out during a short walk and talk. Rubber boots are recommended.

Sun 15 May: Tagish – **Early spring migrants** with Shyloh van Delft. Meet at Tagish Bridge rest area at 1pm. (2 hrs) *#learntobird*

Sun 15 May: Burwash Landing – Learn about the **Dagay (swans)** of Jedalj on a walk with a Kluane First Nation Elder. Bring lunch, warm layers, and rubber boots are a must! Meet at the Kluane Museum of History in Burwash Landing 12pm (4 hrs). Contact the Yukon Wildlife Viewing Program (wildlife.viewing@yukon.ca) to learn more about this remote, day-long adventure which is part of the annual Celebration of Swans.

Mon 16 May: A **family-friendly** *#learntobird* bird walk at Quartz Road wetlands with Jim Hawkings. Meet at Boston Pizza Parking lot at 5:30 pm. (1.5 hrs)

Wed 18 May: Haines Junction -- **Spring migration at the scenic lagoons!** Meet at 6 pm at the entrance to the sewage lagoons (additional parking across the highway by the landfill). Contact leader Julie Bauer at 336-0688 if you have any questions. Bring binoculars, and a scope if you have one (2 hours). *#learntobird*

Thurs 19 May. **Judas Creek Migration Spectacular** with Jim Hawkings. Meet at the SS Klondike at 5:30pm, or Marsh Lake Community Centre at 6:15pm. (3.5 hrs)

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Sat 21 May: Dawson – **Spring birds of the Klondike** with Greg Brunner & Cynthia Hunt. Meet at Henderson's Corner north entrance at 8am. (2 hrs)

Sun 22 May: **Birding the Takhini Salt Ponds** with Shyloh van Delft. Meet at the corner of the Alaska Hwy & Elk Road at 10am. (1.5 hrs) *#learntobird*

Mon 23 May: **Peak migration** at Quartz Road wetlands with Jim Hawkings. Meet at Boston Pizza Parking lot at 5:30 pm. (1.5 hours)

Thurs 26 May: Birds of the **Millennium Trail** with Jenny Trapnell. Meet at the Whitehorse Fish Ladder 6:00pm. Wheelchair accessible. (2 hrs) *#learntobird*

The Helmut Grünberg –

Yukon Birdathon!

Friday-Saturday, May 27-28 (5pm to 5pm)

Sharing the passion – a conservation fundraiser! For more info: <https://yukonbirds.ca/birdathon/>

Sat 28 May: Mayo – **A spring bird walk** with Mark O'Donoghue. Meet at 5-Mile Lake campground at 8:30am. (3 hrs)

Sun 29 May: McIntyre Creek **Birdsong Workshop & eBird primer** with Pam Sinclair. Meet at the Porter Creek Super A at 7:30am. (3 hrs) *#learntobird*

Mon 30 May: **Late Spring** at Quartz Road wetlands. Another family-friendly bird walk with Jim Hawkings. Meet at Boston Pizza Parking lot at 5:30 pm. (1.5 hrs)

Special Event! Fri-Sun 3-5 June: **Tombstone**

Weekend on the Wing! Hosted by Friends of Dempster Country & Yukon Parks at Tombstone Campground (km 71, Dempster Hwy). A great chance to see northern specialties – Surf-bird, Long-tailed Jaeger, Smith's Longspur, and Northern Wheatear. For more info email tombstonecentre@gmail.com

Mon 6 June: **Quartz Road Wetlands again!** with Jim Hawkings. Meet at Boston Pizza Parking lot at 5:30 pm. (1.5 hours) (2 hrs) *#learntobird*

Tues 7 June: **Explore the forest and ponds along McIntyre Creek** near Yukon College with Katie Aitken. Some steep hill climbing. Meet at student parking lot 6:30pm. (2 hrs) *#learntobird*

Thu 9 June: An **evening walk** to see breeding birds in Cowley Creek wetlands adjacent to Spruce Hill subdivision with Clive Osborne. Meet at 33 Engelmann Drive in Spruce Hill at 5:30 pm (3 hrs).

Mon 13 June: **more birding** at Quartz Road wetlands with Jim Hawkings. Meet at Boston Pizza Parking lot at 5:30 pm. (1.5 hrs) *#learntobird*

Tue 14 June: **Explore summer birds** of the Yukon Wildlife Preserve with Jake Paleczny and friends. Meet at 10:45am. (2 hrs) \$12 entrance fee for non-YPW members. *#learntobird*

Tue 21 June: Dawson – **Solstice birding in Dawson City** with Sebastian Jones. Meet at the SS Keno at 6pm. (2 hrs)

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Summer

Sun 24 July: **Baby birds abound** at Verslucce Meadows with Pam Sinclair. Ducks, grebes, swallows, warblers, and more! Meet at the Porter Creek Super A at 9:00 am.

Sun 31 July: **Dragonflies of Hidden Lakes** with Syd Cannings. Dragonflies, birds, and biodiversity! Meet at the SS Klondike at 1pm. Wear rubber boots, or water shoes. (3 hrs)

Fall

Sat 6 August: **Fall birding** at the Yukon Wildlife Preserve with Jake Paleczny and friends. Meet at 10:45am. (2 hrs) \$12 entrance fee. *#learntobird*

Sun 18 September: **Fall migration at Teslin Lake.** Visit the Teslin Lake Bird Observatory with the Yukon Bird Club. Meet at Teslin Lake Campground at 8am.

Wed 23 November: **What's on the river?** A lunch-time stroll across the Rotary Centennial foot-bridge with Jim Hawkings and friends. Meet at the Fish Ladder at 12 pm. Dress warmly! (1 hr)

Winter

14 December to 5 January. **Yukon Christmas Bird Counts!** All are welcome – beginners, feeder-watchers, and seasoned field birders! Be part of a North American-wide bird monitoring and conservation program. To organize a count in your community email yukonbirdclub@yukonbirds.ca

Come birding with the

Yukon Bird Club!

- ✓ **Field trips & events throughout the Yukon**
- ✓ **Informative newsletter – *Yukon Warbler***
- ✓ **Twitter – yukonbirds**

For more information or to join contact; Yukon Bird Club, 4061-4th Avenue, Whitehorse, YT, Y1A 1H1. Email: yukonbirdclub@yukonbirds.ca Web: www.yukonbirds.ca

Yukon Bird Club field trips & events are free, and visitors and non-members are welcome!

