

# Field Trips & Events 2023

### All are welcome!

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### **Spring**

Friday 28 Apr: Carcross – The annual **Dusky Grouse Nares Mtn hike** with Joel Luet. Meet at the gazebo opposite
Montana Services 6:30pm. Sturdy footwear. (3 hrs)

Sat 29 Apr: **Bird Banding 101!** Meet at 1 pm at Swan Haven for a Society of Yukon Bird Observatories bird banding talk and demonstration. *#learntobird* 

Sat 29 Apr: Tagish – **Early spring migrants** with Shyloh van Delft. Meet at Tagish Bridge rest area at 10am. (2 hrs) #learntobird

Wed 3 May – Litter pick-up at Quartz Road wetlands (and maybe some birds too!) with Sean Munro. Meet at Boston Pizza Parking lot 6pm. (1 hr)

Fri/Sun 5-7 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.

Tue 9 May: Explore the **bird rich Yukon Wildlife Preserve** with Jake Paleczny and friends. Meet 6pm. Entrance fee \$13 for non-members of YWP (2 hrs). *#learntobird* 

Thurs 11 May: **Quartz Road Marsh spring birding** with Lena Ware. Meet at Boston Pizza Parking lot at 5:30 pm. (1.5 hours) #learntobird

Sat 13 May: Millennium Trail stroller-walk for parents & young ones (under 2) with Shyloh van Delft. Meet at the SS Klondike at 9:15am.

Sat 13 May: Burwash Landing – Learn about the **Dagay** (swans) of Jedalį 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). Hosted by Yukon Environment.

Sun 14 May: **Shorebirds of Swan Haven** with Environment Yukon. Meet at 10 am at Swan Haven. Expert birder Jukka Jantunen will sort out the diversity from godwits to peeps. Rubber boots are recommended. (2 hrs)

Sun 14 May: Carcross – Enjoy a **bird walk around Nares Lake** and Carcross with Dan Patterson & Syd Cannings. Meet 10am at the gazebo opposite Montana Services. (2.5 hrs)

Tue 16 May: A **scenic** #learntobird bird walk along Eagle Bluff with Syd Cannings. Meet at the Eagle Bluff parking lot (Range Rd at Whistle Bend Way) at 5:30 pm. (1.5 hrs)

Wed 17 May: Haines Junction – **Spring migration** at the scenic lagoons with Julie Bauer & Terry Skjonsberg. Meet at the sewage lagoons at 6pm. (2 hrs) #learntobird

Thurs 18 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)

Sat 20 May: Dawson – **Spring birds of the Klondike** with Greg Brunner & Cynthia Hunt. Meet at Henderson's Corner west entrance at 8am. (2 hrs)

Sat 20 May: **Family birding at McIntyre Marsh** for parents & kids (12 & under) with Shyloh van Delft. Meet at the gazebo on the Fish Lake Rd at 9:30am. 16 spots available; to reserve email yukonbirder@gmail.com.

Sun 21 May: **Birding the Takhini Salt Ponds** with Shyloh van Delft & Ulrich Trachsel. Meet at the corner of the Alaska Hwy & Elk Road at 10am. (1.5 hrs) #learntobird

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

Thurs 25 May: Birds of the **Millennium Trail** with Jenny Trapnell. Meet at the Whitehorse Fish Ladder 6:00pm. Wheelchair accessible. (2 hrs) #learntobird

Sat 27 May: Mayo – A spring bird walk with Mark O'Donoghue. Meet at 5-Mile Lake campground at 8:30am. (3 hrs)

Sun 28 May: McIntyre Creek **Birdsong Workshop** & eBird primer with Pam Sinclair. Meet at the Porter Creek Super A at 7:30am. (3 hrs) #learntobird

The Helmut Grünberg -

## Yukon Birdathon!

Friday-Saturday, May 26-27 (5pm to 5pm)

Sharing the passion – a conservation fundraiser!

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#### Summer

Mon 29 May: **Almost summer** at Quartz Road wetlands! Enjoy this family-friendly bird walk with Jim Hawkings. Meet at Boston Pizza Parking lot at 5:30 pm. (1.5 hrs)

Fri-Sun 2-4 June: **Tombstone Weekend on the Wing!** Hosted by Friends of Dempster Country & Yukon Parks at Tombstone Campground (Dempster km 72). See northern specialties – Surfbird, Smith's Longspur, and Northern Wheatear. For more info email tombstonecentre@gmail.com

Sat 3 June: **Annie Lake bittern quest** with Tracy. Meet at South Access Rd rest area on AK Hwy at 8:30am or Annie Lake Rd turnoff at 9am. (2hrs)

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

Sat 10 June: **Breeding bird season** at McIntyre Creek wetland with Tracy. Meet at the gazebo on the Fish Lake Rd at 6pm. (1.5hrs) #learntobird

Tue 13 June: **A summer bird walk** at Paddy's Pond with Jenny Trapnell. Meet at Skky Hotel parking lot at 5:30 pm. (1.5 hrs) #learntobird

Wed 21 June: Dawson – Magical solstice birding under the Midnight Sun with Sebastian Jones. Meet at the SS Keno at 6pm. (2 hrs)

Sun 23 July: **Baby birds abound** at Versluce Meadows with Pam Sinclair. Ducks, grebes, swallows, warblers, and more! Meet at the Porter Creek Super A at 9am. (2 hrs) #learntobird

Sun 30 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 5 August: Teslin – **Early fall birding** at Teslin Lake Bird Observatory with Ted Murphy-Kelly. Meet at the Teslin Lake campground at 8am, and follow the signs to the banding station. *#learntobird* 

Sat 12 August: **Fall birding** at the Yukon Wildlife Preserve with Jake Paleczny and friends. Meet at 10:45am. (2 hrs) \$13 entrance fee. *#learntobird* 

Sun 17 September: Teslin – **Fall migration at the Teslin Lake** Bird Observatory with the Yukon Bird Club. Meet at Teslin Lake campground at 8am.

Wed 22 November: **What's on the river?** A lunchtime stroll across the Rotary Centennial foot-bridge with Jim Hawkings and friends. Meet at the Fish Ladder at 12 pm. Dress warmly! (1 hr)

14 December to 5 January. Yukon Christmas Bird Counts! All are welcome – beginners, feederwatchers, 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!

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- ✓ Informative newsletter Yukon Warbler
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#### For more information or to join contact -

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