

The Helmut Grünberg

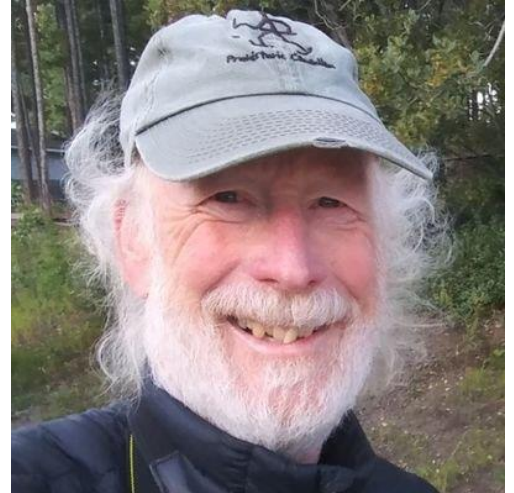
YUKON BIRDATHON

2024 Feature Birder – Syd Cannings

This year's Feature Birder is Syd Cannings. Beginning to record annual lists of birds sighted at just nine years old, Syd truly has been birding his whole life. After relocating to the Yukon from British Columbia's Okanagan over 20 years ago, Syd has extensive experience birding throughout the territory.

One particularly memorable birding experience in the Yukon was while working as an entomologist doing an insect survey in the Richardson Mountains. While on a high alpine ridge, he discovered a rare sight – a nesting Surfbird and its chicks.

In addition to leading several field trips over the years, Syd is also a Board Member for the Yukon Bird Club and recently took on the role of Club president. He has participated in the Yukon Birdathon on and off for the past ten years, and this year has a goal of seeing about 90 birds.



For those looking to maximize the number of species seen, he advises they visit several places that offer completely different landscapes. Even within City limits, it is possible to get out early in the morning for forest birds, then visit a lake, get up into the subalpine, and stop by McIntyre marsh to spot the different birds found in each habitat.

If you can't take part in this year's Yukon Birdathon, please consider sponsoring Syd!

39th Annual *Helmut Grünberg* YUKON BIRDATHON 2024

FEATURE BIRDER – Syd Cannings – Pledge Form

Your support of the Yukon Bird Club benefits bird and habitat conservation in the Yukon!

To sponsor Syd just fill out this form and mail to:

Yukon Bird Club, 4061-4th Avenue, Whitehorse, Yukon, Y1A 1H1

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Thank you!!