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## **Ten Eyck Lecture Series**

Programs are held monthly at the Fripp Island Community Centre.

Meeting times will be announced. Join us for a reception prior...bring your own beverages and an appetizer to share.

**October 27** ~ Dr. Al Segars, Veterinarian, Ret. SC DNR: The Shorebird Story ~ How Will We Write our Next Chapter?

**November 17 ~** Jake Zadik, Naturalist: Using eBird

& preparing for the Christmas Bird Count

**December 15** ~ Andy Jones, Ex. Dir., Spring Island

Trust: Migration ~ How Birds Navigate

January 26 ~ Tamima Itani & Melissa Chaplin:

Great Lakes to Harbor Island ~ Breeding, Migration

and SC's wintering Piping Plovers

February 23 ~ PURPLE HAZE:

Conservation Film on Purple Martin Migration

**March 23** ~ Leila Arnold, Lowcountry Raptors:

Raptors in our Midst

April 27 ~ Christian Feldt, Ornithologist:

Riverbanks Zoo, Columbia, SC

May 25 ~ Jenn Clementoni, Birding Beaufort:

Tips & Tricks to Birding the Lowcountry



Outings are held monthly and are open only to Club Members due to size limitations.

Please note, your dues must be paid & current to participate in outings.

October 4 ~ Jarvis Creek Park w/Steven Guy (12 people)

October 12 ~ Pop-Up Birding ~ Southside Park

**October 28** ~ Fripper Trip (32 people) @ 9:00 am ~ \$20/pp

**November 4** ~ Pop-Up Birding ~ Fripp Audubon Trail

**November 30** ~ Pop-Up Birding ~ Widgeon Point

**December 15** ~ Christmas Bird Count

January 11 ~ ACE Basin NWR Combahee Unit

(North Side) with Steven Guy (15 people)

**January 24** ~ Pinckney Wildlife Refuge w/Bob Speare (15-18 people)

February 17 ~ Bear Island

February 26-28 ~ Overnight – Tom Yawkey Wildlife

Center/Huntington State Park (14 people)

March 29 ~ Webb Wildlife Management Area with

Kathryn & April from Webb Staff (25 people)

**April 17** ~ Harbor Island w/Peggy Lucas (10 people)

**April 25** ~ Harbor Island w/Peggy Lucas (10 people)

May 19 ~ Caw Caw Interpretive Center (15 people)

3 Hour Guided Tour ~ \$15.00 per person









# **Audubon in the Schools**

Audubon in the Schools partners with 4<sup>th</sup> Graders at Beaufort & Port Royal Elementary Schools to introduce students to Lowcountry wildlife with a focus on birds and birding.

- ☆ Owl Presentation by Leila Arnold of Lowcountry Raptors
- → Owl Pellet discussion/dissection led by teaching staff with Audubon Club volunteers
- ☆ Holiday Crafts with bird themes
- ☆ February 2023, Owl Presentation
- April or May 2023, a visit to The Cypress Wetlands in Port Royal to focus on wading birds. The Fripp Nature Center brings alligators, snakes & turtles for students to experience.

To volunteer for Audubon in the Schools, contact Kathy Agee @ kagee879@gmail.com

# Fripp Audubon Club Board

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### **Sponsored/Supported Projects & Volunteer Opportunities**

# The Fripp Audubon Club is powered by membership, volunteers & participation. Contact the people below about your interest or your questions.

**Dixie Winter Audubon Trail** is a short, well-maintained trail off Porpoise Drive, winding through maritime forest and along salt marsh leading to a view of Fripp Inlet. To assist w/trail maintenance contact Patrick Cotter at <a href="maintenance">patrick.r.cotter@gmail.com</a>

**Bluebird Houses on Fripp** – Monitoring and maintaining 20 Bluebird Boxes erected by the Nature Center & Audubon Club. To assist contact Kevin Rice at kevinrice@me.com

Back Yard Bird Count – February 17, 2023 – To participate go to: www.birdcount.org/participate

Christmas Bird Count – December 15, 2022 - When volunteers identify, count & record birds on Fripp, Harbor, Horse & Saint Helena Island(s) as well as everywhere else in America! Individual backyard bird counts are also included. To participate, contact Sally Jessee at <a href="mailto:skjessee365@gmail.com">skjessee365@gmail.com</a>

Climate Watch Bluebird Count – In January & June 2023, volunteers make 12 five-minute bird observations in a pre-assigned area and submit data electronically. To participate, contact Kevin Rice at kevinrice@me.com

**Fripp Island Activity Center** – Nature programs, native pollinator garden, collect data for naturalist research projects, wildlife in residence at 8 Veranda Beach Road. To learn more or help, please contact the Head Naturalist, Kathryn Schulz at <a href="mailto:kschultz@frippislandresort.com">kschultz@frippislandresort.com</a>

**Fripp Island Loggerhead Turtle Patrol** - Operating under a permit from the SC Dept. of Natural Resources (SCDNR) our 20+ volunteers patrol the beach each morning looking for signs of sea turtle activity. Patrol members have been trained and have been issued letters of authorization allowing them to address sea turtle nests, eggs and hatchlings. If interested in volunteering, please contact Permit Holder Karen Natoli at <a href="mailto:natweb@comcast.net">natweb@comcast.net</a>

**Green Space Conservation** – The Club owns 5 Fripp Green Spaces, which are conservation properties over 2 acres. If you are interested in making a charitable gift of property or an estate plan gift, please contact Jack Sims at <u>jacksims198@gmail.com</u>

**Harbor Island Environmental Stewardship Committee** – Sunday afternoon environmental educational programs, Shorebird Stewardship Program April-August 2023. For information, please contact Peggy Lucas at <a href="mailto:oceanmarsh9@gmail.com">oceanmarsh9@gmail.com</a>

**National Wildlife Federation Certified Wildlife Habitat** – For information on how your yard can become a certified habitat, please visit <a href="https://www.nwf.org/certifiedwildlifehabitat">https://www.nwf.org/certifiedwildlifehabitat</a>

**Osprey Watch** – A global community of observers reporting breeding Osprey by submitting data to The Osprey Watch. To volunteer, please contact Linda Sigafoos at <a href="mailto:lcaseys@embarqmail.com">lcaseys@embarqmail.com</a>

**Wildlife Tracking System (MOTUS)** – An international research network that electronically tracks migratory birds and other wildlife. Stations are located on Fripp Island & Harbor Island. Obtain data from these towers by visiting MOTUS.org and finding the antenna locations on the map. To volunteer to help track birds, please contact Kevin Rice at kevinrice@me.com

#### Fripp Audubon Club Annual Membership 2022-2023

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Membership Year is July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Please Make a Difference & Consider Fripp Audubon Club Memberships

Members are from Fripp Island, The Sea Islands, Beaufort & Beyond....

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