SARASOTA AUDUBON SOCIETY  
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FIELD TRIPS & ACTIVITIES  

No reservations necessary for field trips unless noted.  
Suggested donation: $2 members, $4 non-members  

Saturday, Oct 1: PINCRAFT PARK Look for fall migrants with Edith Miller (941-364-3637) at 1420 Gilbert Ave. off Bahia Vista. Meet in Pinicraft parking lot at 9am  

Tuesday, Oct 4: ROBINSON PRESERVE Leaders: Stu Wilson (512-897-8341) and John Ginaven. Meet 8am in Robinson parking lot 1704 99th St NW, Bradenton  

Saturday, Oct 8: 2nd SATURDAY CELERY FIELDS WALK  
New this season! Join some of our best birders on the 2nd Saturday of each month from Oct thru Apr as we explore the great variety of habitats and birds found in the Celery Fields. Meet at the Nature Center 8am  

Sunday, Oct 9: BIG SIT Join Audubon members to see how many birds can be counted in one day from a 17-foot circle! Contact stuwilson@comcast.net  

Saturday/Sunday, Oct 13-16: FLORIDA BIRDING AND NATURE FESTIVAL. Hillsborough Community College, Ruskin. Exhibits, workshops, field trips, food trucks and more. For details, www.floridabirdingandnaturefestival.org  

Saturday, Oct 15: SIESTA KEY SHOREBIRDS Meet at SK Public beach parking lot at 8am. Leaders: Lynn Jakubowicz (lynn234@verizon.net) & Mary Heinlen.  

Tuesday, Oct 18: ORIENTATION FOR VETERAN AND NEW VOLUNTEERS 8am - 10am, Bird Naturalist 10am - noon, Nature Center Docents  

Thursdays, Oct 20 thru April 20: OSCAR SCHERER SP Meet at 8:30am inside park at Lake Osprey/ Nature Center (opens at 8am, park fee). Alternating leaders Joyce Leary (508-737-8954) & Peter Brown (508-241-5541)  

Saturday, Oct 22: ORIENTATION FOR VETERAN AND NEW VOLUNTEERS 8am - 10am, Bird Naturalists 10am – noon, Nature Center Docents  

Monday, Oct 24: 4th MONDAY CELERY FIELDS WALK Joyce Leary (508-737-8954) leads this walk on the 4th Monday, Oct-Mar. Meet at the Nature Center, 9am  

Thursday, Oct 27: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20  

Oct 28-29: AUDUBON ASSEMBLY, ST PETE BEACH  
Annual assembly of Florida chapter members and leaders. A great way to see how other chapters do things. Workshops; field trips, award lunches/dinners. This year at the Sirata Resort http://www.sirata.com/resort Special prices for Audubon members.  

Thursday, Nov 3: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20  

Saturday, Nov 5: SIESTA KEY SHOREBIRDS See Oct 15. Leaders: Mary Heinlen and Claire Herzog (941-780-0545)  

Saturday, Nov 5: STAR GAZING!! The Deep-Sky Observers (www.lgdso.com) will set up their telescopes at the Nature Center for some fab star gazing. 6:45pm. All are welcome to come and see the planets and the stars.  

Thursday, Nov 10: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20  

Saturday, Nov 12: 2nd SATURDAY CELERY FIELDS WALK See Oct 8  

Sunday, Nov 13: LONGBOAT KEY SHOREBIRDS Find resident and migrant shorebirds. Meet at Broadway beach access on north end of LBK at 8am. John Ginaven (941-383-5133)  

Tuesday, Nov 15: CELERY FIELDS CLEANUP Meet in the Nature Center parking lot (999 Center Rd.) at 8am  

Wednesday, Nov 16: S LIDO COUNTY PARK Meet at 2201 Ben Franklin Dr. Lido Key in the parking lot at 8:30am. Leader: Peter Brown (508-241-5541).  

Thursday, Nov 17: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20  

Saturday, Nov 19: CRITTER SURVEY OF THE NATURE CENTER GARDENS. One of two scheduled mornings where we will do a bio-blitz to see what critters, from insects to birds, find a home in the gardens. Bring your cameras, binoculars and powers of observation as we try to document every living thing. Invited experts too. Leader: Glynnis Thomas, glynis65@gmail.com
Tuesday, Nov 22: MOTH MORNING Leader Glynnis Thomas (glynnis65@gmail.com) will set up a moth light box the night before and then check to see what came in. View, ID and release. Meet at the NC at 8am

Thursday, Dec 22: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Monday, Dec 26: 4TH MONDAY CELERY FIELDS WALK See Oct 24

Thursday, Dec 29: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Thursday, Dec 29: N LIDO BEACH AND WOODS Meet Stu Wilson (512-897-8341) and John Ginaven in the small parking lot at the end of Ringling Blvd on Lido at 8am to scout out birds for the CBC

Saturday, Dec 31: CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT SARASOTA To participate contact stuwilson@comcast.net

Tuesday, Jan 5: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Tuesday, Jan 10: CIRCLE B BAR PRESERVE Meet Lynn Jakubowicz (lynn234@verizon.net) and Mary Heinlen behind Starbucks (University & I-75) 7am BRING LUNCH

Thursday, Jan 12: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Saturday, Jan 14: 2nd SATURDAY CELERY FIELDS WALK See Oct 8

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Monday, Jan 16: MYAKKA RIVER SP: Meet at 8:15am in the first parking lot on right just inside the park (FEE) (park opens at 8) Leaders: Stu Wilson (512-897-8341) and John Ginaven

Monday, Jan 16: MYAKKA RIVER SP Meet at 8:15 in the first parking lot on right just inside the park. (Park opens at 8am – FEE). Leaders: Joyce Leary (508-737-8954) and Eileen Teel. BRING LUNCH

Thursday, Jan 19: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Monday, Jan 23: 4TH MONDAY CELERY FIELDS WALK See Oct 24

Tuesday, Jan 24: MORRIS BRIDGE & TROUT CREEK Two more great Hillsborough County parks. Meet Lynn Jakubowicz (lynn234@verizon.net) and Mary Heinlen behind Starbucks (University & I-75 near Home Depot) at 7am BRING LUNCH

Thursday, Jan 26: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Tuesday Jan 31 EAGLE WINE & CHEESE Join Barry Gerber at 6pm at the Nature Center for an informative talk about Bald Eagles. $8.

Wednesday, Feb 1: 5 LIDO COUNTY PARK See Nov 16

Thursday, Feb 2: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Saturday, Feb 4: ALL ABOARD THE EAGLE TROLLEY Ride with eagle expert Dale Nauman to observe several active nests.

RESERVATION REQUIRED Barry Gerber (941-228-7459). Sign up online at www.sarasotaaudubon.org/TRIPS or at the Nature Center or a monthly meeting

Saturday, Feb 4: STAR GAZING!! The Deep-Sky Observers will set up their telescopes at the Nature Center for some fab star gazing. 6:15pm

Tuesday, Feb 7: FT DESOTO BIRDS AND DUCKS Meet behind Starbucks (University and I-75) at 7:30am. Lynn Jakubowicz (lynn234@verizon.net) and Mary Heinlen BRING LUNCH

Tuesdays, Feb 7, 14, 21, 28, March 7 & 14: TAI CHI FOR BEGINNERS at the Nature Center, 10am - 11am. Learn Tai Chi with Marcy Packer. This gentle (low impact) martial art of spiritual and physical discipline developed in China over millennia to bring balance to the body and flowing peace to the mind. Learn the first part of Yang style in these sessions.
$3 per session, $15 for all 6. Pay at first session.

Wednesday, Feb 8: CELERY FIELDS WALK Meet at the Nature Center at 8am. Stu Wilson (512-897-8341) and Kathryn Young

Thursday, Feb 9: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Saturday, Feb 11: 2nd SATURDAY CELERY FIELDS WALK See Oct 8

Tuesday, Feb 14: TAI CHI at the Nature Center, 10am. See Feb 7

Thursday, Feb 16: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Sunday, Feb 19: CRITTER SURVEY OF THE NATURE CENTER GARDENS See Nov 19 for details

Tuesday, Feb 21: TAI CHI at the Nature Center, 10am. See Feb 7

Tuesday, Feb 21: RED BUG SLOUGH Meet at 5200 Beneva Rd at 8am. Lynn Jakubowicz (lynn234@verizon.net) and Martha Straub

Thursday, Feb 23: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Monday, Feb 27: 4th MONDAY CELERY FIELDS WALK See Oct 24

Tuesday, Feb 28: TAI CHI at the Nature Center, 10am. See Feb 7

Wednesday, Mar 1: Exhibit Opening: Backyard Beauties: Native Plants of the Celery Fields and Florida Join us for this specially commissioned artwork by the Florida Society of Botanical Artists’ members. These beautiful images of Florida native plants will amaze you. Nature Center at 5pm. Refreshments.

Thursday, Mar 2: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Tuesday, Mar 7: TAI CHI at the Nature Center, 10am. See Feb 7

Wednesday, Mar 8: CELERY FIELDS WALK Meet at the Nature Center at 9am. Joyce Leary (508-737-8954)

Thursday, Mar 9: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Saturday, Mar 11: 2nd SATURDAY CELERY FIELDS WALK See Oct 8

Tuesday, Mar 14: TAI CHI at the Nature Center, 10am. See Feb 7

Thursday, Mar 16: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Tuesday, Mar 14: FELTS PRESERVE 4200 24th Avenue East in Palmetto (corner of 24th Av E & 49th St E). Meet at 9am. Joyce Leary (508-737-8954) & Eileen Teel

Tuesday, Mar 21: PERICO & NEAL PRESERVES Meet behind Starbucks (University & I-75) at 8am. Lynn Jakubowicz (lynn234@verizon.net) & Mary Heinlen. BRING LUNCH

Thursday, Mar 23: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Friday, Mar 24: CAREFREE LEARNER Private boat tour to Roberts Bay Rookery. RESERVATIONS REQUIRED Meet at Marina Jack’s next to Le Barge at 9am. Call Harma Nyhof at 703-615-0864 with questions. Cost $25. Sign up online at www.sarasotaudubon.org/TRIPS or at the Nature Center or a monthly meeting

Friday, Mar 24: VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION EVENT 5:30pm We value all of our wonderful volunteers and want to show our thanks for your tremendous contributions to the Sarasota Audubon. Join us for refreshments as we celebrate another wonderful year.

Monday, Mar 27: 4th MONDAY CELERY FIELDS WALK See Oct 24

Tuesday, Mar 28: MOTH MORNING Leader Glynnis Thomas. See Nov 22

Thursday, Mar 30: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Monday, Apr 3: CAREFREE LEARNER Private boat tour to Roberts Bay Rookery. RESERVATIONS REQUIRED Meet at Marina Jack’s next to Le Barge at 9am. Call Harma Nyhof at 703-615-0864 with questions. Cost $25. Sign up online at www.sarasotaudubon.org/TRIPS or at the Nature Center or a monthly meeting

Tuesday, Apr 4: NORTH LONGBOAT KEY & LEFFIS KEY Look for resident and migrant shorebirds at the north end of LBK, then drive north one mile to Leffis Key to check for early spring migrant songbirds. Meet at Broadway beach access on the north end of LBK at 8am. Stu Wilson (512-897-8341)

Thursday, Apr 6: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Saturday, Apr 8: 2nd SATURDAY CELERY FIELDS WALK See Oct 8

Tuesday, Apr 11: CELERY FIELDS CLEANUP Meet in the Nature Center parking lot (999 Center Rd) at 8am

Thursday, Apr 13: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20
Tuesday, Apr 18: FORT DESOTO
Meet at the first rest stop just after the tollbooths on the Sunshine Skyway Bridge (I-275) at 8am. Stu Wilson (512-897-8341) and John Ginaven

Thursday, Apr 20: OSCAR SCHERER SP See Oct 20

Saturday, April 22: PINECRAFT PARK 1420 Gilbert Ave, off Bahia Vista. Edith Miller (941-364-3637) & Lynn Jakubowicz. Meet at 8am

Tuesday, Apr 25: FORT DESOTO Meet behind Starbucks (University & I-75) at 7am. Lynn Jakubowicz (lynn234@verizon.net) and Mary Heinlen

Saturday, May 6: STAR GAZING!! The Deep-Sky Observers will set up their telescopes at the Nature Center for some fab star gazing. 8pm

WORKSHOPS AT THE NATURE CENTER
These 2-hour workshops provide a wealth of information on a variety of topics. See flyer for details
No reservations required. Meet at the Nature Center 1:30pm. Adults $8; kids $5. QUESTIONS? cherylduber@gmail.com; 813-440-8989

Thursday, Nov 10: NATIVE PLANTS FOR THE HOME GARDEN – Tom Heitzman

Wednesday, Jan 11: EDIBLE PLANTS OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA – Bill Dunson

Friday, Mar 3: RAISING MONARCHS – Naomi Deutsch

Wednesday, April 5: BUTTERFLY I.D. BASICS –

Karen Finch
Saturday, Apr 22: PURPLE MARTINS – Sue Guarasci

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ONE- & TWO-DAY CLASSES AT THE NATURE CENTER
These classes target specific families of birds, and include a photography class. Check times and locations for field work.
Sign up online at www.sarasotaudubon.org/CLASSES
or send checks to SAS, 999 Center Rd, Sarasota FL 34240.
Contact Kathryn Young for details: kathwren4@gmail.com

Saturday, Oct 1/2: CELERY FIELDS SANDPIPERS AND RAILS – JEANNE DUBI & GLYNNIS THOMAS Oct 1 class at NC 1:30pm; Oct 2, meet at Raymond Road boardwalk at 8am. Cost $20
Friday, Nov 18/19: PHOTOGRAPHY – RICK GREENSPUN Nov. 18 Class at NC 1:30pm; field work Nov 19, location & time to be determined. Learn photography skills that can be used with any camera. Cost $20

Saturday Oct 29/30: SIESTA KEY BEACH SANDPIPERS & GULLS – CLAIRE HERZOG Oct 29 Class at NC 1:30pm; Oct 30 meet at Siesta Key Beach at 8am. $20

Friday, Nov 18/19:
Saturday, Jan 21: DUCKS & GREBES – BARRY ROSHEIM Class meets at NC at 7:30am followed by a duck hunt, 9 – 11am. Cost $20

Sunday, Jan 22: RAPTORS – SUE GUARASCI Class at NC at 1:30 pm. After class look for raptors in the skies around the NC. Cost $20

Wednesday, April 19/20:
SPRING WARBLERS – JOHN GINAVEN First class at NC at 1:30pm; April 20 field trip, location & time to be determined. Cost $20

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BIRDING SERIES
Two separate series of classes: the first is field trip oriented, the other for beginning birders includes more classroom time.
Sign up online at www.sarasotaudubon.org/CLASSES

THURSDAYS “BIRDING SRQ AREA HOT SPOTS” Jan 26, Feb 2/9, Mar 30, Apr 6/13 – Leaders Kathryn Young & Jeanne Dubi. This series of Thursday classes will be based heavily in the field. Visit birding hotspots that are being reported thru ebird, bird alerts and the birding grapevine. Jan 26 class will be at the Nature Center at 1:30pm for a birding overview followed by 5 field trips. Cost $60. RESERVATIONS REQUIRED.
Sign up online, at the Nature Center or a monthly meeting

THURSDAYS “BASIC BIRDING” SERIES: Feb 16/23; Mar 2/9/16/23 – Kathryn Young:
For beginning and advanced beginning birders. Three (3) classes starting with Feb 16 at 1:30pm at the NC; field trips will meet at 8am at the NC.
Questions? Call or email Kathryn Young kathwren4@gmail.com, 612-760-1771. Cost $60.
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED. Sign up online at www.sarasotaudubon.org/CLASSES or send checks to
MONTHLY MEETINGS

Held on the second Monday of the month First Congregational Church Fellowship Hall, 1031 S. Euclid, Sarasota 34236
No charge; donation appreciated

Oct 10: FLORIDA’S BALD EAGLES: Michelle Van Deventer of FL Fish & Wildlife Commission will discuss the history and current efforts of eagle conservation

Nov 14: FLORIDA GRASSHOPPER SPARROWS Dr Paula Reillo of the Rare Species Conservatory Foundation will discuss this rare bird and efforts to save it

Dec 12: THE PLIGHT OF URBAN BIRDS Biologist Dr. Jim Davis outlines strategies of how urban birds cope

Jan 9: CHANGING CLIMATE CHANGING BIRDS Terry Root, Ph.D., will discuss how global warming is effecting bird populations

Feb 13: SARASOTA BAY FROM A DOLPHIN’S PERSPECTIVE Dr Randall Wells of Mote Marine will discuss the Bottlenose Dolphins of our bay

Mar 13: MEET LEGENDARY AUTHOR & ILLUSTRATOR JULIE ZICKEFOOSE. Julie (Letters from Eden and The Bluebird Effect) will talk about her extensive travels and bird watching life.

Apr 10: LEMUR CONSERVATION Alison Grand & Eric Patel will share 20 years of lemur conservation both in Myakka City and Madagascar

May 8 MY BIRD CAN EAT YOUR BIRD David Sadkin of Anna Maria Island’s Wildlife Inc. will bring an owl to demonstrate the unique adaptations of this perfect predator