

## 2024 FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE

### YELLOWSTONE VALLEY AUDUBON SOCIETY, BILLINGS, MONTANA

Contact Carolyn Jones at [carolyn684@gmail.com](mailto:carolyn684@gmail.com) to be included on the Bird Trip Notification List. The people on the Notification List will receive email notification of any impromptu trips or schedule changes such as times, meeting place, or cancellations.

Check the [yvaudubon.org](http://yvaudubon.org) website, Facebook page, or the YVAS Flyer for upcoming trips.

Field trips depart by car from Rocky Mountain College parking lot at Billings Studio Theater on Rimrock Road at 8AM, unless noted otherwise in the specific trip description. DO NOT BRING PETS. PASSENGERS SHARE GAS COSTS WITH THE DRIVER.

DATE		DESCRIPTION	LEADER
Mar 24	Sun	Big Lake: migrating swans, sandhills, water birds, etc. 8am Rocky	Mike Weber, leader Sack lunch
April 13	Sat	Pryor Mountains: Search for the Sagebrush Sparrow 7:30 am Bridger Park south end Main St in Bridger	Stan and Susan, leaders Sack lunch
April 27	Sat	Phipps Park: Bluebirds & Blooms 8am Phipps Park Parking Lot	Carolyn Jones, Sue Weinreis, leaders STEEP HIKE to the top of Phipps Park. Three miles total. Hiking poles recommended
May 5	Sun	Exxon Ponds and Emerald Hills 7:30 am Rocky, OR 8:00 am Exxon Gate on Johnson Lane	Mike Weber, leader ONE MILE WALK
May 11	Sat	Broadview Ponds 8:00 a.m. Rocky	Carolyn Jones, leader
May 18	Sat	Bridger Creek 8:00 am Itch-Kep-Pe Park, Columbus	Stan Heath and Susan Hovde leaders Sack Lunch
May 21	Tue	Stillwater River/Woodbine Area 7:00 a.m. Rocky OR 8:00 a.m. Itch-Kep-Pe Park, Columbus	Carolyn Jones, leader Sack Lunch Return to Billings by 5:00 p.m.
May 28	Tue	Riverfront Park: Evening Bird Stroll 5:30pm Riverfront parking lot to the right at the entrance.	Mike Weber, leader Mosquito repellent advisory
May 31	Fri	East Rosebud 7:30am Rocky	Brenda and Jeff Dunham, leaders Sack lunch
June 1	Sat	Yellowstone River WMA 8am Rocky	Megan O'Reilly, leader Sack lunch

June 8	Sat	Pompey's Pillar 7:00am Rocky OR 7:45am Pompey's Pillar parking lot	Carolyn Jones, leader
June 11	Tue	Pryor Mountain, Sage Creek 7:30am Rocky OR 8:30am Bridger Park south end of Main St in Bridger	Stan Heath and Susan Hovde, leaders Sack lunch
June 15	Sat	Red Lodge area 7am Rocky OR 8:15am Red Lodge Town Pump	Stan Heath and Susan Hovde, leaders Sack lunch
June 22	Sat	Bear Canyon 6:30am Rocky OR 7:30am Bridger Park south end of Main St in Bridger	Stan Heath and Susan Hovde, leaders Sack lunch
June 29	Sat	Grant Marsh 8am Love's truck stop Hwy 47 just off I90 Hardin	Megan O'Reilly, leader Sack lunch
Aug 3	Sat	Shorebirds, Hawks, Prairie birds	Mike Weber, leader Sack lunch
Aug 17	Sat	Bridger Creek 8am Itch-Kep-Pe Park, Columbus	Susan Hovde and Stan Heath Sack Lunch
Sep 13-15		Malta and Bowdoin NWR	Stan Heath and Susan Hovde, leaders
Sep 21	Sat	Red Lodge area Hawk Watch 8:00 am in Red Lodge Town Pump Conoco C-Store	Marco Restani, leader Sack Lunch, Lawn chair
Nov 2	Sat	Yellowtail Dam Afterbay 8am Rocky	Ron Kuhler, leader Sack lunch
Dec 14	Sat	Christmas Bird Count	Jerry Dalton, leader
Jan 1	Wed	Yellowtail Dam Afterbay – Annual New Year's trip 8am Rocky	Ron Kuhler, leader Sack lunch
Jan 5	Sun	Mid-Winter Eagle Count	Mike Weber, leader Sack lunch