



NO PROGRAMS IN JUNE - PROGRAMS RESUME IN SEPTEMBER

SANTA BARBARA AUDUBON SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING AND GET-TOGETHER *Saturday, June 30, 2018, 3:00-5:00 p.m.* *Stow Grove Park, Space #3*

Join us for friends, music, and
ELECTION OF NEXT YEAR'S BOARD
Bring hors d'oeuvres or finger food to share
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We are grateful to Melissa Riparetti-Stepien for her year of service as our Secretary.

We can use help with Jack Sanford's former job of leading field trips and bird walks. Peter Thompson will take one of those duties, but we need someone to lead the other. Also needed are one or two people to help bring refreshments to our monthly programs.

If you are interested in this work or the OPEN positions on the Board, please contact: President@SantaBarbaraAudubon.org

We welcome you!

THREE LONG-TIME SANTA BARBARA AUDUBON STALWARTS STEP DOWN

AARON KREISBERG,
CONSERVATION COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR AND FORMER PROGRAMS CHAIR

Citing several personal changes (a now full-time management position, living in Ventura, and planning his marriage) since joining the Board as Programs Chair in 2015, Aaron Kreisberg has submitted his resignation, effective in June.

"SBAS has been a rewarding organization to be involved with," he says, adding, "I'm continually amazed by the work everyone puts in. What an exceptional group of folks! I look forward to staying involved and continuing to work toward conservation of birds and the conservation/restoration of their habitats." We are pleased that he plans to stay involved and thank him for his many excellent contributions.

JULIA KOSOWITZ,
MEMBERSHIP CHAIR SINCE 2009

We are extremely grateful for Julia's years of service and amazing dedication to keeping the records straight for over 1000 members. Working with National Audubon, she also organizes membership renewals.

Julia's attention to detail and institutional memory make her difficult to replace. Former President Darlene Chirman recruited her when they worked together on restoration projects, beginning at Arroyo Hondo Preserve. Julia is documenting what she does and will train her successor. Very few have any idea of Julia's work behind the scenes, or of its importance to our chapter. It has been of the highest quality.

JACK SANFORD,
BIRD WALK AND FIELD TRIP COORDINATOR

After many years of service to SB Audubon and a host of happy birders, Jack Sanford is retiring from his position, effective July 1. He not only planned countless outings, he also personally led many of them.

With his friendly, outgoing manner, Jack welcomed birders of all skill levels. For many, he was the face of Audubon in this area. A frequent bird walk participant recalls, "He brought enthusiasm with him to every outing."

Jack demurred when we wanted to honor him at our picnic on June 30, saying, "I know the members want to say thank you, and I appreciate that, but I did it because I really enjoyed it, so no thanks are necessary." One of Jack's trip leaders summed up the feelings of many: "Good on him. Well done."



MONTHLY TRIPS TO LAKE LOS CARNEROS

By Judy Blue

Once a month for the last year and a half, the after-school Salvation Army van pulls into the Stow House parking lot, and out jump 15-20 enthusiastic kids. In April, it was the 3rd-6th graders' turn. For the first time, small binoculars were distributed. As youngsters do, many looked through the wrong end for fun and focused on each other from close range. But, eventually, they saw some birds! The resident kite was soaring up in the sky, some Tree Swallows were checking out the nest box, California Towhees scurried along the ground, a Great Egret perched in a tree, the resident hybrid swan was sunning itself on the cement, several Red-winged Blackbirds were singing in the marshes, lots of coots and gulls, and one blue-billed male Ruddy Duck which impressed the youngsters. Can't forget the turtles, too!

After an hour, it was time to gather on the Stow House steps, where helpers Carol Rae and Jayne Wamsley distributed bird lists, donated Nothing Bundt Cake coupons (the kids' favorite), and bird stickers. At each visit, I ask them what birds they saw, and I am always impressed with their enthusiastic responses. It's my pleasure to walk around beautiful Lake Los Carneros with the children as we learn about birds and nature.

INTRODUCING REBECCA FAGAN COULTER, CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT MANAGER AND MORE

Fondly remembering early family road trips in the San Gabriel Valley and beyond, where her eagle-eyed father always packed a bird book, Rebecca admits she did not fall in love with California landscapes and environmental causes until later. While studying English literature at UCSB, she became an anglophile, gravitating toward cultivated landscapes. And yet, it was during an extended study break that birds made an indelible impression: hiking along the Cornwall coast, she accidentally disturbed a Barn Owl, which flew up very close to her face. She was not alarmed; she was intrigued ... and hooked.

After completing her degree, she worked for several years in the County Education Office coordinating grant applications from teachers who sought funds for innovative curricula. But the two marine biology courses she took in college—and a lucky meeting with Fred Emerson—kept her natural history interest keen. When she met Guy Tingos and other mentors who challenged her with bird identification, the joy of exploring Santa Barbara through this new lens sealed her lifelong passion for birds, and for Santa Barbara's landscapes.

Currently, Rebecca is Volunteer Manager at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. She also teaches birding classes for the museum, SBCC, and the botanic garden. She joined both SB Audubon and the Christmas Bird Count Committee in the early 2000s and took on the chairmanship of the latter in 2011. She has just created an illustrated presentation with major topics such as what makes Santa Barbara special for birding, which she is giving to our Audubon chapter for general use.

Rebecca views her birding classes as a shared adventure and encourages participants to be fully focused in the moment, listening and looking at what is there, because each experience is unique. She loves SB Audubon's programs for children because the new generation will determine the longevity of all creatures and their habitats.



THE SBAS CONSERVATION COMMITTEE...IN CONTEXT

By Aaron Kreisberg and Ken Pearlman

“Men and nature must work hand in hand. The throwing out of balance of the resources of nature throws out of balance also the lives of men.”

- Franklin D. Roosevelt; inscription on FDR Memorial at the National Mall, Washington, DC

The earliest residents of our region, from the indigenous Chumash to the later-arriving Europeans, implicitly recognized the simple truth embodied centuries later in FDR's words. As described nearly a quarter of a millennium later in the newly incorporated City of Goleta's *General Plan*, it was “the rich soils, verdant vegetation, and harmonious climate of the narrow coastal plain between the Santa Ynez Mountains and the Pacific Ocean” that had inspired the area's description as “The Good Land” by the 1769 Portola expedition diarist. This “special environmental setting” was further institutionalized in the *General Plan's* vision of Goleta as a community:

- that treasures open spaces and ecological resources;
- where the amount and character of growth respects the carrying capacity of the natural environment;
- that maintains scenic vistas by protecting open spaces and ensuring that its built environment is designed to be sensitive to its setting; and
- that promotes a sense of place based on a heritage of respect for the natural environment, small town values, and neighborhood cohesiveness.

Recognizing and seeking to build upon the remarkable consonance between these key elements of Goleta's vision and the SBAS mission—to help conserve and restore our area's natural ecosystems and improve its biological diversity—our Conservation Committee co-chairs, Jessie Altstatt and Aaron Kreisberg, met for 90 minutes on February 14 with Goleta Mayor Paula Perotte to share ideas for how SBAS can continue to partner with the city in ongoing efforts to protect and sustain the natural resources of the Goodland. The lively and productive conversation touched on such contextual/historical elements as the Goleta Coast's classification as an “Important Bird Area” (IBA) by the National Audubon Society; and SBAS's ongoing utilization of Lake Los Carneros as the site of its annual “Winter Bird Count 4 Kids,” a highly popular educational outreach program that connects local youth to nature and which the City of Goleta has generously supported through its community grant program. In addition, Jessie and Aaron suggested three specific areas of potentially fruitful SBAS-City partnership:

- input on management of the city's green spaces and parks (such as Lake Los Carneros and Ellwood Mesa) and riparian buffers along the city's creeks (such as San Jose and Atascadero);
- awareness-raising with the city departments and staff on human impacts to natural resources and the conservation of sensitive plants and bird habitat;
- ideas for promoting more effective leash law enforcement within city parks and open spaces, particularly at Ellwood Mesa.

Mayor Perotte welcomed these ideas and encouraged our continued dialogue and activities that would further promote this shared “vision of Goleta.”

(For full story go to : <http://santabarbaraudubon.org/conservation-spr...report-continued/>)

AUDUBON OVERLOOK

By Darlene Chirman, President Emerita

You are probably aware of the major restoration project underway at the North Campus Open Space, north of Coal Oil Point Reserve. The former Ocean Meadows Golf Course was purchased by the Trust for Public Land, and transferred to the University of California for conservation, restoration and management. The Cheadle Center for Biodiversity and Ecological Restoration (CCBER) has raised \$10 million to restore 90 acres. This is the site of upper Devereux Slough before it was graded and filled to create the golf course in the 1960's. The restoration has re-created wetlands and mudflats, and it will accommodate sea level rise.

Santa Barbara Audubon has had a vision to recreate wetlands on this site for twenty years. Read the article from the one-time *Goleta Valley Voice* from July 1998, on our website, <http://santabarbaraudubon.org/audubon-overlook-article/>. When the board was discussing how Audubon could have more of a presence in the community, the idea was raised for a sign or bench at the North Campus Open Space. The author contacted Lisa Stratton, the ecologist heading the restoration planning and implementation of the project for CCBER, and learned that they had established an endowment fund to manage the property after the restoration installation is completed. For \$50,000 we could have a bench named. (View potential bench site map online.)

The map above shows potential bench sites, and the circle with the dark center will be the Audubon Overlook, with a bench listing donors, and a sign acknowledging Santa Barbara Audubon and showing some of the bird species likely to be seen from the overlook. Twelve generous Audubon members/couples have jointly contributed or pledged the \$50,000 to establish the Audubon Overlook. The pedestrian bridges have recently been installed, and by fall the trails should be completed and the site opened to the public.

We anticipate wonderful bird habitats at the site, and the Audubon Overlook has been selected as a great place to birdwatch. We hope you will enjoy walking the trails and birdwatching at the North Campus Open Space. If you were able to attend the May 23rd Audubon program presented by Lisa Stratton, you have the latest progress report on the restoration of the site!



FIELD TRIP REPORT: SANDHILL CRANE OVERNIGHT

By Jeff Hanson

It was still warming up when ten Santa Barbara birders joined Jack Sanford at noon on a Saturday at Allensworth State Historic Park. Jack was smiling. He had been here since Wednesday, and he had found several Burrowing Owl sites. For the next hour, we visited two sites that held about eight owls among them. The birds were very active and produced lots of oohs and aahs from the group. We then drove to other sites Jack had found: farm fields with hundreds of Long-billed Curlews, ag ponds with 50 Common Mergansers, poles and wires with raptors perched on them.

Our day ended with a visit to Pixley National Wildlife Refuge (NWR), famous for Sandhill Crane and White-faced Ibis fly-ins. By the time we arrived, the ponds were already filled with waterfowl, shorebirds, and gulls. At dusk we started to hear the unmistakable vocalizations of hundreds – perhaps thousands – of Sandhill Cranes coming in to roost for the night. White-faced Ibis arrived in large numbers, as well. The group was mesmerized for a half hour. Saturday ended with a campfire and storytelling at Jack's campsite.

We spent Sunday morning auto touring the Kern NWR, where waterfowl and raptors abound. We found several rare species, such as Wilson's Snipe and Yellow-headed Blackbird. At the end of the tour, we all made our way home. This is my fourth Allensworth trip, and surely one of the best! Great birding with some great camaraderie, and spending quality time with Jack Sanford, our fearless leader!



Photo by Jeff Hanson

JOY PARKINSON 2018 SCIENCE FAIR AWARD WINNERS

By Steve Senesac, Santa Barbara Audubon Science Chair

There were many worthy candidates for this year's Joy Parkinson Award at the Santa Barbara County Science Fair. The project that stood out for us was the one from Solvang School.

Bridget Atchison (left) and Ava Casey (right) studied the effects of carbon dioxide (CO₂) on the growth rate of diatoms, microscopic oceanic plants that are responsible for much of the air we breathe.

They incrementally increased the amount of CO₂ available to the diatoms and observed the effect on their growth. They discovered, within the range of their study, that diatoms grew faster as more CO₂ became available. Thus, they observed one of the restoring mechanisms that keep life on Earth in balance. The method they used is quite adaptable to other studies. For one, we would like to study how increasing salt concentration in the water of Devereux Slough affects the invertebrate life there. We hope that someday Ava and Bridget will come and help us.

They did a marvelous job presenting their project to the Audubon general meeting on March 28th, entralling the approximately 70 people present. At the end of their presentation, SBAS board members presented each winner with a one-year chapter membership, given in memory of Karen Bridgers.



Photo by Steve Senesac

IF YOU PLANT IT, THEY WILL COME

By Melissa Riparetti-Stepien

Creating a native plant garden is one way to attract more bird species. Local birds are familiar with native plants, which provide food, cover, and shelter. Native berries and seeds keep birds coming back, and also entice insects on which birds feed. Caterpillars are a big prize for parent birds feeding young. Native plants provide optimal materials for nests: twigs, dead leaves, needles, webs from shrubs and trees; fibers and bark from milkweed and other natives make homes for their chicks. Plants have a symbiotic relationship with birds, who get a beak full of food, then complete the cycle by spreading seeds that sprout into new plants.

Natives are a big win for gardeners, as they are generally hardy, drought tolerant, and low maintenance. The National Audubon Society makes it easy to choose from a list of appropriate plants for each bird species. Visit www.audubon.org/native-plants, type in your zip code, and the site pops up a list of plants, trees and flowers for your specific area. The list gives each plant's common name, scientific name, and the birds that it attracts.

When my home on three acres burned down in the Jesusita Fire, I found that the Audubon Society's plant list for my zip code matched exactly the plants we used under the direction of Carol Bornstein, who worked at the Santa Barbara Botanic Garden for years. Carol has written two helpful books: *California Native Plants for the Garden* and *Reimagining the California Lawn*.

Bruce Reed is an award-winning horticulturalist and native plant expert at the botanic garden. He has expertise in designing with native plants that work in our area. He suggests three local native plant nurseries as great resources for your new garden:

Garden Growers Nursery
(Santa Barbara Botanic Garden)
1212 Mission Canyon Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93105
(805) 682-4726 x114

Manzanita Nursery
880 Chalk Hill Road
Solvang, CA 93463
(805) 688-9692

Island View Nursery
3376 Foothill Rd
Carpinteria, CA 93013
(805) 684-0324

You can add still greater bird diversity to your native garden by adding a water source, such as a bird bath or fountain.

Planting natives and restoring balance to the earth in our own yard has provided tremendous solace to our souls and soothed our outlook on life after a very traumatic experience. The beauty, presence and magic of the songs of birds is ever-present now. We are commonly visited by finches, doves, bluebirds, jays, sparrows, orioles, owls, woodpeckers, hawks, turkey vultures, grosbeaks, roadrunners and more. I cannot think of a more meaningful gift to ourselves and to the world.

Audubon will give you a very cool sign for \$25 to advertise your garden to your friends and neighbors. See the link at the bottom of the National Audubon web page listed above for information on how to get one. Spread the word about the power of native plants and help grow a better world for birds!

SBAS: EITS

MAX AND IVAN, THE TRIALS OF CAPTIVITY

By Richard Nordli

Max the Great Horned Owl had a rough start: after he fell out of his nest, his human rescuers were the first creatures he remembers feeding him, leading him to believe he, too, is human. This condition, called imprinting, is irreversible, and he would not be able to hunt if he returned to the wild, where he would starve to death. After spending a short time at the Ojai Raptor Center, the best possible thing happened, when Max was taken in by Eyes in The Sky founder Gabriele Drozdowski. It was almost an immediate love affair, and Max quickly decided that Gabriele was his mate. This has been ongoing for nearly twenty years. Early on, Max spent much of his time in Gabriele's house, where he would waken her at night to talk or feed her a mouse. When he wasn't in the house, he would share an aviary with Ivan, our Red-tailed Hawk.

The two raptors got separate enclosures when EITS moved to the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, but during renovation they have been roommates again in their temporary digs at the Fithian residence. They've been getting along like brothers, and all had been well until recently, when along came ... the Wild Widow.

A wild female Great Horned Owl has lost her mate and taken a fancy to Max. She visits the aviary nightly, where she and Max (separated only by screens) have romantic conversations. How cute, how frustrating ... how sad. Max's hormones are raging. Is he forgetting he's imprinted? Is he betraying Gabriele? Is he now Max the Great Philanderer?

Max is no stranger to abnormal behavior. Having a Red-tailed Hawk (another apex predator) for a roommate and getting along has always been amazing. But now that Max has a girlfriend, his roommate Ivan, another male, may appear to be a rival, and Max's relationship with Ivan is getting a bit hostile. He blocks Ivan's path to his favorite perch and bites him on the neck. Not a harmful bite, just enough to say, "you're not gettin' by me, buddy." Who knows how it could escalate?

The aviary is temporary. In two or three months Ivan and Max will be back at the museum in their separate permanent mews. But what to do in the meantime? We cannot risk letting Max and Ivan settle the matter themselves.

After much brain storming and head banging, we decided to install a clear shower curtain to divide off a space for Ivan. This arrangement is currently in place and working well.

All is peaceful at the Fithian Aviary.



Photos by Betsy Mooney



THANK YOU, TECOLOTE CIRCLE DONORS

Tecolote Circle donors sustain Audubon's core programs in perpetuity through their vision and generous donations to our endowment. They gave a one-time donation of \$1000 or more to the endowment or named SBAS in their will and let us know. Many continue to donate. Endowment gifts are invested, and income generated supports our work. Our Circle is growing--consider becoming a member! Connect the community with nature...now and for generations to come.

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MEET YOUR WILD NEIGHBOR

Continuing a tradition begun in 2001, EITS presented the program "Meet Your Wild Neighbor" to first- and second-grade classes at McKinley school this spring. For several weeks in February through April, Gabriele and EITS volunteers taught about local birds and their habitats. To cap it all off, on April 27, the children visited Lake Los Carneros to observe what they'd learned in a natural setting.



Photos by Laura Price

SBAS: FRIDAY BIRD WALKS

CARPINTERIA SALT MARSH NATURE PARK

Friday, June 8, 2018 (8:30-10:30 a.m.)

Target Birds: Curlew, ducks, teals, egrets, godwit, gulls, herons, raptors, killdeer

Directions: Coming from the north on Hwy 101, take Linden Ave off ramp. Coming from the South on Hwy 101, take Casitas Pass Rd off ramp and turn right on Carpinteria Ave and left on Linden Ave. Follow Linden Ave toward the ocean and turn right on Sandyland Rd. Go to the end of Sandyland Rd to the Nature Park Entrance, and we will meet here.

TABANO HOLLOW OPEN SPACE

Friday, June 22, 2018 (8:30-10:30 a.m.)

Target Birds: Songbirds, woodpeckers, hummingbirds, etc.

Directions: Take Hwy 101 to the Turnpike Ave off ramp and head toward the mountains. Turn left on Cathedral Oaks Rd. Turn left on Ribera Dr. Park where Ribera Dr and Matorral Way meet. (Bridge under Hwy 101 and Open Space sign can be seen).

ATASCADERO CREEK

Friday, July 13, 2018 (8:30-10:30 a.m.)

Target Birds: Water Birds, song bird and raptors

Directions: From Hwy 101 take the Patterson off ramp and head toward the ocean. We will park in the dirt area near the Atascadero Creek Bridge.

SAN MARCOS Foothills Preserve

Friday July 27, 2018 (8:30 -10:30 a.m.)

Target Birds: Song birds, raptors

Directions: Coming from the north on Hwy 101, take the State Street/Hwy 154 off ramp and proceed to Hwy 154. Take the Cathedral Oaks Rd exit and head north (left turn). Coming from the south on Hwy 101, take the Hwy 154 exit and proceed east on Hwy 154. Take the Cathedral Oaks Rd exit and head north (left turn). In a short distance, turn right on Via Chaparral and right on Salvar Rd. Proceed across the "bridge to nowhere" and turn left. Drive and park near the entrance.

LAKE LOS CARNEROS BIRD WALK

Friday, August 10, 2018 (8:30-10:30 a.m.)

Target Birds: Water birds, song birds

Directions: From Hwy 101 take the Los Carneros off ramp. Head toward the mountains (Stow House on the right). Turn into the driveway between the fire station and the park. We will meet in the parking lot behind the fire station.

ENNISBROOK NATURE TRAIL

Friday, Aug 24, 2018 (8:30-10:30 a.m.)

Target Birds: Nuthatch, Common Yellowthroat, Townsend's Warbler, Spotted Towhee, etc.

Directions: Take Hwy 101 to the Sheffield Dr turn off. Follow Sheffield Dr and turn left on San Leandro Ln (first left). The nature trail is located to the right of road past a white picket fence near a pump house. We will park and meet near the entrance gate.

SBAS: FIELD TRIPS

Everyone is welcome! These trips are fun for both beginning and expert bird lovers. Trips are free unless noted. Please contact Jack Sanford email: bird-sandtennis@hotmail.com for details or questions.

TROUT CLUB, SANTA BARBARA

Saturday, July 7, 2018, 8:30-11:00 a.m., (8:00 a.m. at carpool location, no gas money)

Target Birds: Flycatchers, thrushes, gnatcatchers, hummingbirds, sparrows, orioles, etc.

Trip Leader: Susanne Barrymore

Directions: We will carpool from the corner of the upper Sears parking lot at 8:00 a.m., or you can meet at the entrance to the Trout Club off Old San Marcos Rd. Take Hwy 101 to Hwy 154 north from Santa Barbara and turn left on Old San Marcos Rd (Painted Cave Rd is on your right). Go a very short distance and park in the dirt area near the Trout Club entrance. We will bird from there. Take advantage of this opportunity to bird the private Trout Club.

OSO FLACO LAKE FIELD TRIP - "LAKE TO THE OCEAN"

Saturday, August 11, 2018, 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

(7:00 a.m. carpool time, \$8.00 gas money to driver. \$5 parking fee per car or park outside the entrance.

We will take a leisurely 2 miles walk over the Oso Flaco Lake Bridge and follow the boardwalk trail to the ocean to view this rare and unique ecosystem while spotting birds and enjoying the beauty of the area.

Target Birds: Freshwater and saltwater birds, plus Northern Harriers and wrens

Trip Leader: Jack Sanford

Directions: We will meet at the upper corner of the Sears parking lot at 7:00 a.m. and carpool to the Oso Flaco Lake parking area. If you prefer to meet at the lake at 9:00 a.m., take Hwy 101 to Hwy 166. Exit Main St in Santa Maria and head west toward the town of Guadalupe. Turn right at the Hwy 1 intersection and go through the town of Guadalupe. Travel 3 miles to Oso Flaco Rd. Turn left on Oso Flaco Rd and proceed 3 miles to the parking lot. Dress in layers and bring water and a snack.

THANK YOU

To the Audubon Board: 100% of you contributed to our Annual Appeal, in addition to your many volunteer hours.

Carol Rae and Carrie Bree for handling our correspondence.

Peter Thompson for scheduling replacement leaders for Jack Sanford's field trips and bird walks for several months.

Jeff Hanson, Peggy Kearns, Paul Keller, David Levasheff, Rob Lindsay, Libby Patten, Cruz Phillips, Jack Sanford, Peter Thompson, Guy Tingos, and others for leading our field trips and bird walks.

Karen and Don Schroeder for lending their canopy for our Earth Day booth.

Everyone who has helped this year with the EITS birds.

The Ojai Raptor Center for caring for and rehabilitating Kisa, our convalescing Peregrine Falcon.

Trent Watanabe of the *Montecito Journal* and the *Santa Barbara Sentinel* for time and talent in putting this newsletter together.

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Congressman Salud Carbajal visits our Earth Day booth on March 21.

ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE CENTER TGIF!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE CENTER (EDC)'S TGIF! HAPPY HOUR, SPONSORED BY SANTA BARBARA AUDUBON:

Friday, July 13, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at 906 Garden St.

Admission \$20

The only nonprofit environmental law firm on the Central Coast, EDC provides legal, educational, and advocacy support to grassroots efforts throughout the tri-counties on issues such as protecting air and water quality, preserving open space, saving species from extinction, and guarding public health.

TGIF! provides a valuable forum for community members to exchange ideas in the historic EDC courtyard, while offering support, building connections, and promoting environmental awareness.



Fulvous Whistling Duck at Lake Los Carneros (LLC) in April. First spotted by LLC regular birder Art Chavez and subsequently enjoyed by many.



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