

# Gambel's Tales

The Newsletter of the Sonoran Audubon Society

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At our next meeting.... Wednesday, February 13, 2013 , at 7 p.m. David & Dianne Reesor—Antarctica



David and Diane Reesor have given several programs to us in the past of their photographic travels around the world. This time they take us on a three week journey aboard a Russian converted spy ship (icebreaker) from South Georgia to Antarctica. The ship itself was capable of sending radio transmissions underwater from Antarctica to Moscow and also capable of complete silent running.

Antarctica is virtually pollution-free and the air is crystal clear. This made the beautiful scenery even more breathtaking. There were icebergs, seabirds and penguins galore and they even visited Shackleton's gravesite.

South Georgia where they started from is where the Argentines started the Falklands War. There was a contingent of Ghurka soldiers on South Georgia when they were there.

They also spent a week in Chile and Argentina and another week on the Falklands before they started their trip.

If you have seen any of their previous programs, you know just how great their videos and pictures are. You don't want to miss this one.

At right: Emperor Penguins



## What's Happening in our Chapter By George Wall and Karen LaFrance

There was a Board Meeting on January 2, 2013. Attending were George Wall, Tim Cullison, Haylie Hewitt, Gail Bliss, Eleanor Campbell, Darnell Kirksey, Andrée Tarby, and Jerry Theis.

The committee reports were presented. At the end of the year, we had 768 members. Field Trips for birding have been scheduled through September. Programs are coming together for the year.

The annual picnic has been confirmed for Horseshoe Ranch on March 23rd.

Nominations for the Board were discussed.

The January general membership meeting was held on the 9th. Mike Quigley gave an excellent program on the Arizona Desert Heritage concerning the Sonoran Desert and surrounding areas. He had an excellent speaking voice that kept everyone's attention. 33 members attended, but surprisingly, no visitors.

The Education Committee met on January 18th. The Backyard Bird Habitat plans are progressing as well as building a bird friendly community. The Speaker's Bureau should be finalized before summer. The projects are on schedule. Binoculars are a prime concern right now. Until we can purchase some, Karen LaFrance will see if we can borrow some from Audubon Arizona for use during the Girl Scout Badge quest on March 2nd.

Do you have a spare pair of binoculars that you could donate to our chapter? If so, please contact one of the Board members.

# 2013 Field Trips—Winter

**REOUIREMENT:** On all trips, **YOU MUST** make reservations by calling the leader or the contact person. They can then give updated information as to the meeting place, times, etc. Also, **some** trips are limited in size. Anyone can do these trips and if a novice, you'll get plenty of help.

Saturday, February 9, 2013 Sweetwater Recharge Ponds Leader: Donna Smith 623-556-9535 <u>rms15247@cox.net</u>

The Sweetwater Recharge Ponds near Tucson were turned into a refuge for viewing birds. Paths around the many ponds are well maintained and you can see anything from a Yellow-rumped Warbler to a Sora.

Difficulty: 1 Bring a lunch

Meet at the Burger King just west of 101 on Thunderbird at 84th Dr. Park in the Lowe's parking lot by the Burger King. We will leave at 7 a.m.

Saturday, February 23, 2013 Salome Rd. Leader: Bill Grossi

Search for several species of thrashers and gnatcatchers known to be found in this desert habitat west of Phoenix. A variety of sparrows, raptors and other field birds should be seen.

Difficulty: 1

Meet at McDonald's in the Gateway Pavilions on McDowell Rd. just past 99th Ave. as you come off 101 at 7 a.m.

#### Saturday, March 9, 2013 Estrella Mountain Regional Park Leader: Joe Ford: 623-792-8154 <u>lford25@cox.net</u>

Estrella Mountain Regional Park is located on the south side of the Gila River in Goodyear at Bullard Ave. and Vineyard Rd. There is a \$6.00 per vehicle charge for entering the park

This is a two hour hike in the park and along the Gila river discovering the bird life of the park. Between the river habitat, the mesquite bosque, the nearby farm fields, and the turf area, over 150 different species have been observed.

Difficulty: 1

Meet at the Visitors Center parking lot at 8 a.m.

After this bird walk, go over to the Tres Rios Nature and Earth Festival. See page 7.

#### Thursday, March 21, 2013 East Verde River and Tonto Natural Bridge Leader: Dan Bohlmann 602-938-8244 dansbohlmann@prodigy.net

The East Verde River has lots of sycamore and cottonwood trees that line it, lots of water and thus lots of birds. This is a great birding area that has the potential for a variety of warblers, vireos, woodpeckers, flycatchers, phoebes, swallows, etc. The Tonto Natural Bridge is a unique area that presents different habitats in the same small place. The bridge itself is more like a tunnel that Pine Creek flows through. These two areas should produce lots of birds.

Difficulty: 1 Bring a lunch

Meet at Fry's Electronics Store, 31st Ave. and Thunderbird in the parking lot on the north side of the building (N.E. corner) at 7 a.m.

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#### (Continued from Page 2) 2013 Field Trips-Spring

Saturday, April 6, 2013 Robbins Butte Leader: Bob McCormick Car Pool contact: Dan Bohlmann 602-938-8244 dansbohlmann@prodigy.net

Robbins Butte is a Wildlife Area administered by the AZ Game and Fish Dept. Here we will meet Ryan Sutter who is the new manager. In the past, we have had two picnics at this location as well as a couple of bird walks. No telling what you might see. In the past we have seen Bald Eagles, Sage Sparrows and a Great Horned Owl perched on the Butte.

Difficulty: 1 Bring a lunch

For car pooling, meet at Denny's on W. side of Litchfield Rd. just N. of I-10. If we leave there by 7:30, we will be at Robbins Butte by 8 a.m.

Directions: Get on 101 and head towards I10. Take the exit for Los Angeles. Take I10 several miles and get off at exit 112 which is Hwy 85. Robbins Butte is exactly 7 miles from I-10 on Hwy. 85. It is on the right hand side of the road and there will be a sign just before the dirt road. The dirt road runs about two miles to the Ranger's house.

#### Thursday-Sunday, April 18-21, 2013 Aravaipa Ranch near Dudleyville Leader: George Wall 623-875-7057 gwall5@cox.net

This trip is a three night stay at a private ranch. There are 55 acres of land with a continuous flowing creek. The ranch house is amid a pecan orchard surround by cottonwoods and other trees. There are trails galore. This is a perfect place and a perfect time for lots of birds.

We'll bring food for the three nights and the participants will bring their own breakfast and lunches. There is a huge kitchen with all the facilities needed to cook anything. The ranch house has three bathrooms and seven bedrooms all completely furnished with towels and bed linens and pillows. The rooms hold anywhere from 2-5 people. This trip is limited to 20 people and no more than 5 vehicles that are high clearance. Cost will be \$105 per person total for the 3 nights plus cost for food and for gas if you're riding with someone.

Difficulty: 1

Further instructions, room assignments, car pooling and directions will be given to participants later on.

Saturday, May 4, 2013 Mt. Ord Leader: Andrée Tarby 602-421-9425 awtarby@gmail.com This is a perfect time of year to go to Mt. Ord for birds. There are grassland, pinyon, juniper, and ponderosa pine habitats. Mt. Ord is the highest bird habitat in Maricopa County. We may encounter Rufous-crowned Sparrow, Scott's Oriole, Gray Vireo, Black-chinned Sparrow, and many warblers as well as Summer and Hepatic Tanagers. A high-clearance vehicle is required.

Difficulty: 2 Bring Lunch.

Meet at Denny's in Fountain Hills to leave at 7 a.m.

# FAMILY BIRD WALKS AT ESTRELLA Sponsored by the Sonoran Audubon Society

Estrella Mountain Regional Park is located on the south side of the Gila River in Goodyear at Bullard Ave. and Vineyard Rd. There is a \$6.00 per vehicle charge for entering the park; however, the bird walks are free of charge.

Join the Sonoran Audubon Society for an easy two hour hike in the park and along the Gila river discovering the bird life of Estrella Park. Over 150 different species have been observed at the park. We have a Saturday and Sunday walk each month. Bring your own binoculars and books if you have them, a limited number will be available.

**SATURDAYS:** These walks are held the second Saturday of each month. The next walk will be <u>February 9, 2013</u>. Meet at the visitors center parking lot at 8 a.m. The walk will last approximately two hours. For further information, contact Joe Ford: 623-792-8154 <u>lford25@cox.net</u>.

**SUNDAYS:** These walks are held on the fourth Sunday of the month. The next one will be on February 24, 2013, starting at 8 a.m. Follow the signs to the dirt parking lot on the east side of the park—the Navy Area. For further information contact Bob McCormick at 602-373-2952 mcbobaz@aol.com or Andrée Tarby at 602-421-9425 awtarby@gmail.com.

# **Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC)**

This year's GBBC is going to be from February 15-18, 2013.

What is a GBBC? The Great Backyard Bird Count is an annual 4-day event in counting birds to create a real time snapshot of where the birds are.

Participants tally the number of individual birds of each species they see during their count period. They enter these numbers on the GBBC website. The website is www.birdcount.org or www.birdsource.org. Either one will take you to the same GBBC website.

## A Little Corner of Heaven for Birds By George Wall

I recently visited Jim Consolloy's home since I was informed he had a great backyard bird habitat and I wasn't disappointed. I found out he started bird watching in 1959 when he was in the Boy Scouts. He wanted to be an Eagle Scout and was encouraged to work on the Bird Study Merit Badge towards that goal which he achieved. He started going out on nature trips and he did his first Christmas Bird Count in 1960. He continued to do these counts (50 years) until he moved here in 2010, with his wife Trish. His first encounter with Audubon was when he became a member of the Washington Crossing Audubon Society in New Jersey also in 1960. He gained more experience over the years through his college education excelling in horticulture. As the years passed, his knowledge grew by managing a nursery, taking care of a farm and managing the Princeton University grounds. He's currently doing volunteer work at the Desert Botanical Garden.

With all this experience, it is no wonder that he has made his backyard a Little Corner of Heaven for Birds. Before going into his backyard, I looked out the window and saw a Spotted Towhee, White-crowned Sparrow and House Finches flitting around. As I walked around his backyard, I saw other birds like a pair of Verdins and a Northern Mockingbird. I also saw the ground trees, an amazing variety of shrubs, and ground cover. Here's what I noted with his help:

**Trees:** Mexican Fan Palm, California Fan Palm, Pygmy Date Palm, Queen Palm, Italian Cypress, Blue Juniper, Seedling Arizona Cyprus, Seedling Shoestring Acacia, African Sumac seedling, Little-leaf Palo Verde, Palo Verde (Spanish species), and Saguaro Cactus seedlings.

**Shrubs:** Naval Orange, Pink Grapefruit (citrus are shrubs), Lantana species, Natal Plum, Dwarf Bottlebush, Blue Agave, Desert Broom, Yellow Stans Orange Bells, Texas Orange Bells, Mexican Petunia, Russian Sage, Duranta (Blue Skyflower), Cape Plumbago, seedling Tree-form Oleander and 40-50 seedling succulents.

**Groundcover:** Myoporum, Cat's Claw vine, Cape Honeysuckle vine, Red Bougainvillea vine, Pink Ipomea (Morning Glory), and the potted plants – Elephant Food, Indian Fig Cactus, Totem Pole Cactus, several mixed cacti, large kettle pot of pink Mulhy Grass (Gambel's Quail nest site) and ornamental corkscrew willow branches for hummingbird perches.

His front yard is maintained by the Homeowners Association; however, he has several plants by his front porch most of which he planted. They include an Australian Bottletree, Desert Fern Tree, Tree-form Oleander, Mexican Bird of Paradise, Citrus Hedge, Bougainvillea (Spanish species), young Mexican Fan Palms, Hybrid Tea Roses, Natal Plum, Heavenly Bamboo clump, Red Hesperaloe, potted sage palms, potted Coral Fountain shrubs, Barrel Cactus, Golden Barrel Cactus, Blue Agave, Aloe Vera, Trailing Purple Lantana



One side of his Backyard



The Corner

suckle. He has several feeders including two for hum-

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including two for hummingbirds He has a beautiful water fountain. What more could birds want.

Well, Jim is not finished as he explained several ideas to me. They included creating rock formations, potted plants, more seedlings and other things to create more shelter and nesting spots for birds.



Fountain with running water

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## (Continued from Page 4) A Little Corner of Heaven for Birds By George Wall



More Backyard



View into Backyard



Just a Few of His Front Yard Plants

With a backyard like this that lies between two golf courses, it's no wonder that birds flock to his yard.

Jim's introduction to our area of the United States and bird watching was a fast process. He asked around and found Gerry Horton who was a member of Birders' Anonymous, Grand Birders and the Sonoran Audubon Society. It wasn't long before Jim was involved in all three. Today, he is on the Board of Directors for the Sonoran Audubon Society. He's learning more about birding spots and has started leading field trips.



Jim Consolloy

## Esmeraldas Antbird By Dr. Jerry Theis

In December 2009, my friend Jim Black was completing a world "Big Year' and he asked me to join him and two other friends on a private trip to NW Ecuador, guided by Ecuador's birding guru, Lelis Navarette. We experienced a lot of rain but saw many endemic species between showers. On one particularly wet day near the community of Alto Tambo, Lelis decided to check on some wooded property he was interested in purchasing, so we headed up a very muddy logging road. Just as we started on the road, I found an empty cigarette pack partially buried in the mud. Since I work in a cancer program, I was intrigued by the colored photo on the pack's cover, that of a human's bleeding, cancerous upper palate, serving as a vivid reminder to potential smokers of the dangers of the habit. I kept the pack to present to a future Tumor Board at my institution. Getting back to birding, we slogged up this very, very muddy road, with only Lelis in possession of rubber boots. The muddy conditions were no better as we entered the forest and now we had limbs to trip over as well. In addition, the birding activity was slow. So what could make all this worthwhile? How about an Esmeraldas Antbird, singing heartily at armslength away, its song a series of very high-pitched, thin sharp notes?



Esmeraldas Antbird—Photo by Andrew Spenser

The Esmeraldas Antbird occurs in NW South America from west Colombia on the Pacific slope north to the southern choco region and NW Ecuador south to El Oro. It's natural habitats are subtropical or tropical moist lowland forests and subtropical or tropical moist montanes, favoring damp slopes. Due to sexual dimorphism, it is only recently that the male and female were realized to be the same species. The male has a bright red iris and is dark leaden gray. It's wing coverts are blacker with small but conspicuous white dots. The female is like the male but the back, rump, and wings are a dark chestnut brown with wing spotting usually buff. It's throat is lightly scaled with white and it's flanks and lower belly are dark brown. These birds hop about in pairs, sometimes attending ant swarms.

After returning to the main road, while cleaning the mud from my hiking boots, I realized that seeing the Esmeraldas Antbird made the conditions palatable. And yes, I did present the cigarette pack at the next Tumor Board, to rave reviews from my constituents.

# Welcome and Thank You

Since our last newsletter, more people joined the National Audubon Society that live in our designated area. This automatically makes all of them a member of our chapter. These members are Joan Bennett, Eve Bielski, Maria Bruno, Robert Clayton, Milt Collins, Robert Cotta, Jean Demine, Betty Demzik, Majorie Duff, Veda Eggleston, Robert Emery, Inge Flanagan, Faith Huff, Marge Kirsop, Majorie Marchant, Ramona Mason, Marcia Matney, Zdenek Mayer, Thomas Mc Kelvey, Diana Miller, Jerry Miller, E. Myers, Ralph Nagle, Steve Nagler, Jene Pierson, Mary Poggenburg, The Richards, Bonnie Richardson, Alice Sherwood, Cree Short, Stephaniejohn Stempinski, The Heinzels, Shirlee Whyte.

We've also had a few new "Friends" who are either new or have been absent for awhile. They are Cathy Goodwin, Sue Leonard, Jody Pelusi and Sue VanCamp.

Welcome All! I also want to thank all the "Friends" who re-upped for another year as my recruiter used to say.

# **Tres Rios Nature and Earth Festival**

# Saturday-Sunday, March 9-10, 2013 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

# The event and activities are free – Parking is \$3 per vehicle

Tres Rios Nature and Earth Festival is an annual **two-day** outdoor event that focuses on the rich diversity of wildlife, habitat, history and culture of the Gila River drainage. This is an opportunity to celebrate the rich heritage, ecology, history and wildlife of the Gila, Salt and Agua Fria Rivers! It is a great opportunity for the whole family to enjoy a beautiful spring day in Arizona and learn something about the place we call home.

Activities Include: Canoe Excursions Early Birding Tours 7:30-9 a.m. (Pre-register by e-mail to McBobAZ@aol.com or phone to 602-237-3951) Regular Birding Tours 9:30 and on Hikes Fishing Clinic Fashion Show: Recycling Fashion Show for kids Kindergarten through 6th grades Stage Entertainment daily

## To reach the Baseline Meridian Wildlife Area just Southwest of Phoenix:

From central Phoenix, take I-10 west to Avondale Blvd./115 Ave. exit. Travel south on Avondale Blvd./115th Ave. towards Phoenix International Raceway. You'll see the parking area on left.

See the website at http://www.tresriosnaturefestival.com/activities.htm for more info and detailed maps.

# THE SONORAN AUDUBON SOCIETY'S SIXTH ANNUAL PICNIC



Saturday, March 23, 2013 To be held at Horseshoe Ranch



There will be a Bird Walk from 8—10 a.m. Regular festivities go from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Free Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, cold drinks and water (attendees will be asked to bring a small side dish if they can)

Auction—Including a Pink Jeep Tour Voucher which they donated, several paintings and photographs

**Door prizes and Great Camaraderie** 

There are restroom facilities.

<u>Directions:</u> Take I-17 towards Flagstaff. Take exit 259 (Bloody Basin Road – a well established dirt road) and bear right for approximately 5 miles. Gate entrance is on the left and it will be well marked.

Reservations Needed: Contact George Wall at 623-875-7057 gwall5@cox.net

This is a <u>free event and is open to all</u> who are interested in birds and fellowship. You do not have to be a member to attend. We had 51 at last year's event.

# EVENTS IN AND AROUND THE VALLEY

## <u>Audubon Arizona Rio Salado Habitat</u>

Audubon's Birds 'n Beer, is being offered on January 17th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. with the program beginning at 6:30 p.m. This event is held every third Thursday of the month sponsored by Four Peaks Brewery. Proceeds from the sale of beer go to Audubon Arizona. Local professionals will present a program and give you a refreshing way to learn about Arizona birds and other wildlife.

The Nina Mason Pulliam Rio Salado Audubon Center is located at 3131 S. Central Avenue in Phoenix and their regular hours except for special events are Tuesday-Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 602-468-6470 or e-mail **rio-salado@audubon.org**. for more information about their programs and events.

## **Birders' Anonymous**

Birders' Anonymous has their monthly meeting on the 3rd Friday of each month from October through May starting at 10:00 a.m. at the Church of the Palms on the corner of Boswell and 103rd Ave. in Sun City. The next meeting is on February 15, 2013. Jim Consolloy will discuss the Backyard Bird Count.

George Wall will lead a birding trip on Monday, February 18, 2013, to the Gilbert Water Ranch. Meet at the church parking lot to leave at 7:15 a.m. Anyone is welcome to attend the meetings and trips.

For further information on Birders' Anonymous meetings, programs and trips contact Marshall Esty at 623-977-1637 <u>mne@juno.com</u> or Shirley Fackelman at <u>shirleyfackel-man@yahoo.com</u>. Better yet, come to the meeting.

## Hassayampa River Preserve

Anne Leight has bird banding programs on Saturday, February 2nd and on Sunday, February 24th at 7:00 a.m. Newcomers are welcome; however, if you want to help bird band, you must contact Anne Leight at **birdannabelle@hotmail.com**.

There will be a Winter Walkabout on Saturday, February 2nd from 1-3 p.m. Put on your walking shoes for some Hassayampa fun. Decorate your own walking stick and take it for a stroll around the preserve. Supplies and snack provided.

Hassayampa is having its Nature Festival again this year. It will be held Saturday, April 6, 8 a.m. -2 p.m. The Sonoran Audubon Society will have a table there again this year.

There will be an Interpretive Tour on Saturday, February 23rd from 8:30-10 a.m. Enjoy an easy paced walk along the trails with a docent to catch sight of resident and migratory birds.

Hassayampa is open mid-September through mid-May Wednesday-Sunday 8 a.m.–5 p.m. and mid-May through mid-September Friday-Sunday 7-11 a.m. Entrance fees are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. Members fee is \$3.00.

## **Gilbert Water Ranch**

This is one of the best places in the valley to bird watch. There are nice easy trails that you can walk that take you around numerous ponds. There is also a nice visitor center.

Take highway 60 to Greenfield Road. Turn right and drive S. on Greenfield for 1.5 miles. Turn east (left) on Guadalupe. The entrance to the parking lot for the Water Ranch is the third driveway on the right. See their website at <u>http://</u> sites.google.com/site/birdsofthegilbertwaterranch/

## **Desert Botanical Garden**

Each week on Mondays there is a bird walk. The bird walks for February will be starting at 8 a.m.

Desert Botanical Garden entrance fees are \$18 for adults, \$15 for seniors and \$10 for students. DBG Membership is \$65 a year (\$75 for Families). When special events are held, the entry fee could be higher. See their website at www.dbg.org for further information.

## Arizona Field Ornithologists

See their website at **www.Azfo.org** for more details.

## **Boyce Thompson Arboretum**

Learn to identify resident birds and seasonal migrants on a two-hour walk guided by Dave Pearson February 2nd, Joanne Barr February 10th, Craig Anderson February 16th, Kathe Anderson February 24th.

Boyce Thompson Arboretum opens at 8:00 a.m. \$9.00 for adults, \$4.50 for ages 5-12. For driving directions or other details, call 520-689-2811 or visit their website at <u>http://arboretum.ag.arizona.edu/</u>.

## **Deer Valley Rock Art Center**

Desert Bird Tours from 9-10 a.m. on February 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, 2013.

The Center is located at 3711 W. Deer Valley Rd. in Phoenix. Admission is \$7 adults, \$4 seniors and \$3 children. Reservations required. Please call 623-582-8007 or schedule online on the events page at www.dvrac.asu.edu.

#### **Festivals**

Tres Rios Nature and Earth Festival—See Page 7.

#### Calendar of Monthly Meetings...

Location: West Valley Unitarian Universalist Church, corner of 59th Ave. and Cholla in

Glendale — Time: 6:30 p.m. for socializing and

7 p.m. for the start of the meeting and program.

**Upcoming Schedule:** 

February 13, 2013: David & Dianne Reesor-Antarctica

March 13, 2013: Michelle Wiznitzer—"Shoot First....Ask Questions Later" Confessions of a bird photographer

April 10, 2013: Thomas Gaskill—Jays, Nutcrackers and Pines

May 8, 2013: David Dise/George Wall—Brown Canyon & Area Adventure

October 9, 2013: Ross Hawkins—Hummingbirds Galore

November 13, 2013: Len Boeder—His Best Bird Pictures

**Other Dates of Interest:** February 6, 2013, 7 p.m. Monthly Board Meeting at above location. Members are invited to attend as guests.

SAS Web Site: <u>www.sonoranaudubon.org</u> Audubon Arizona Web Site: <u>www.az.audubon.org</u> Desert Rivers Audubon Web Site: <u>www.desertriversaudubon.org</u> Maricopa Audubon Web Site: <u>www.maricopaaudubon.org</u> Arizona Field Ornithologists: <u>www.azfo.org</u> National Audubon: <u>http://audubon.org/</u>



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# **Care Centers for Birds**

Fallen Feathers Handles and cares for all birds 9532 W. Cielo Grande, Peoria Jodie Kieran 623-533-2348 623-566-5302

Adobe Mtn. Wildlife Center Cares for all wildlife including birds I-17 & Pinnacle Peak 623-582-9806 Wild At Heart Raptors only 31840 N. 45th St. Cave Creek 480-595-5047

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