Field Trips

All field trips are free and open to all. Please call the contact person(s) to have the latest information. Trip plans may change due to weather or the occurrence of local rarities and we do not want you to miss us due to these changes.

Sunday, October 27, 7:00 am-12:00 noon; Rarity Roundup; Leader: Derek Lovitch; Contact: Pat Moynahan 284-5487. (Car pooling necessary).

Wednesday Morning Bird Walks. Location varies every week and lasts a couple of hours. Beginners are welcome to come and learn about birds. Contact David Doubleday <u>davidd@roadrunner.com</u>. You'll be glad if you get on David's email list!

For updates please check <u>www.yorkcountyaudubon.org</u>

Programs

Tuesday, November 19, 7:00 pm at Wells Reserve. *Monitoring Maine's Great Blue Herons.* The great blue heron is often touted as one of the most widespread and adaptable birds in North America. Here in Maine they are certainly widespread, but recent data has suggested a decline in their breeding population especially along the coast. Concerns over a population decline prompted the Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to conduct a comprehensive survey of breeding colonies in 2009, and to begin a statewide adopt-a-colony program called the Heron Observation Network. Join Danielle D'Auria, a wildlife biologist with MDIFW's Bird Group, to learn more about Maine's largest colonial wading bird, as well its close relatives.

Project Feeder Watch

Turn your backyard birding into valuable data! Cornell Laboratory compiles citizen scientists' observations to gauge bird distribution and density in North America. By recording avian visitors that come to your feeders during the months of November to April, you can add to our knowledge and add a touch of interest to the winter. So sign up on line at <u>www.feederwatch.org</u>, call 800-845-2473, or write Project Feeder Watch, 150 Sapsucker Woods Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850. There is a \$15 cost for materials. Then sit back in the comfort of your home and join in the fun!



Recent Siting...

YCA Member Chuck Homler got this shot of a Snow Goose at the University of New England on October 9.

Christmas Bird Counts

-Saturday, December 14, Portland; Bill Hancock (wph@maine.rr.com) -Monday, December 16, Southern York County; Pat Moynahan (284-5487) -Saturday, December 28, Biddeford/Kennebunkport; Marie Jordan (799-1408)

New Members:

Sue Bowling	Old Orchard Beach
Blaine Porter	Springvale
Cynthia G. Riley	Wells
Lindsey Senecal	Acton
Anita DeStefano	Kennebunk
Charles Homler	Saco
Karen H. Nelson	Alfred
Mr. & Mrs. William Nixon, Jr.	Scarborough
Judith Olson	Saco
Elayne Star	Kennebunk
Ceil Clark	North Waterboro

Welcome Back:

Jane Garvin Lynne Calero Carolyn C. Colpitts Douglas P. Hitchcox Fred W. Ouellette Paula L. Moses Terry W. Moulton Cathy J. Orser Martha Woodbridge Acton Saco Saco Hollis Lyman Wells Cape Porpoise Saco York