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# Ecobon

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *by Rick Riebesell*

### Following Jack

When Pam and I first moved to Hilton Head Island, we were recommended to Jack Colcolough for the Christmas Bird Count (CBC). We lived in Hilton Head Plantation and Jack was captain of Indigo Run and related areas, but no matter, we were included on his team. On a very cold December morning, we, as very novice birders still getting used to the humidity, were to be in a group with Jack, Carlos Chacon, and Amy Tressler. Carlos was so good it was scary. Amy, while being warm and nice, was very knowledgeable, quick, and competent. Jack presented boundless enthusiasm and amazing expertise. An hour in, realizing what good birders we were with, we concentrated on not making fools of ourselves. We were the scriveners manning the checklist, volunteering nothing, trying hard to look in the right direction, and remembering whatever we could (usually too late for relevancy). Nevertheless, by the end of the day, while still intimidated and chilled, we had a great time.

Since then, each year Jack has been nice enough to include us on his team. The annual CBC serves as the test for our birding competence, and we are getting better. Barry Lowes' presentations before the bird count really help. Our backyard birding monitoring our suet, seed, and hummingbird feeders helps. The Audubon meeting programs help. Field trips help. We have achieved some base level of competence in bird counting. And this year we looked forward to the CBC. While more at ease about the test of the CBC, on reflection I realized that while we were more competent, we were really looking forward to following Jack.

I remembered Jack driving his Jaguar overland, between trees, to reach docks at the back of multimillion dollar houses, whose occupants Jack referred to as "people he knew." (Further inquiry would often reveal that Jack had recently knocked and doors and asked if the residents would mind him birding around their property.) Nice people all, they seemed not irritated but amused, when Jack led birders through their backyard while they were having their morning coffee. I remembered Jack getting through gates to various areas. How did Jack know those codes for the gates we breached (driving quickly to get through all at once when the gate opened)? Did Jack really get permission for us to use several private docks? I remembered Jack saying what we would see at the various places he took us. How did Jack know all these places where the birds were to be found? At the end of the CBC we were tired and amazed to hear that Jack was going out on his own to fill out the list for anything he knew was there but the group may have missed.

Now I understand that Jack is the conductor of his portion of the CBC. He rehearses by scouting the areas and knowing what birds are likely to be found. Those lucky enough to be on his team experience the performance. On the designated morning of the CBC, the team follows Jack and strives to appreciate what he creates.

For this year, some memorable parts of the score: The design on the backs of several Ruddy Turnstones as they turned in flight. An Osprey on a boathouse roof. The dignity of the Hooded Merganser a suitable distance from the punked-out Red-breasted Merganser. The dive time and distance covered of a Common Loon. The catching and eating of a crayfish by a Great Blue Heron. Counting the number of Great Blue Herons concealed in a marsh area (at least six). The chip of the Chipping Sparrow. The glide and pose of a Bald Eagle across a fairway. The kek-kek-kek of the Clapper Rails. The woodpecker parade of Downy, Yellow-bellied Sapsucker, Northern Flicker, Red-headed, Red-bellied, and Pileated. Watching the wind-blown fluffed-up feathers of an immature, female Brewer's Blackbird and trying to make an identification. Black-crowned Night-herons huddled in the rain. And, finally, two Forster's Terns.

CBC experiences are unique. Also, it is different to count every bird you see rather than just go birding, perhaps looking for specific rare, migratory, or beautiful birds. Because it is a massive group effort, it is a group experience bonding people who together are paying attention to nature and otherwise would not know one another.

The National Audubon Society states that the CBC is the longest running citizen science survey in the world and that the citizen scientist survey provides data on the status of bird populations. It is all that. But at the individual citizen scientist level, it is also an opportunity to demonstrate to one another how we pay attention to the natural world. At its best, it is not a contest of knowledge, it is a teaching and sharing experience, enriching to all who participate. We came to the CBC intimidated and unsure, but over the years we have learned to appreciate and respond to the music created for us by a skilled conductor. A gift. We look forward to and strive to be better able to appreciate each performance.

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## JANUARY PROGRAM *by: Kathy Greider, Program Director*

Thursday, January 9, 2013 at 3:00 pm

Coastal Discovery Museum at Honey Horn, 70 Honey Horn Drive, Sea Island Room

### Managing Savannah National Wildlife Refuge for Migrating Birds

Savannah National Wildlife Refuge (SNWR) is a sanctuary for approximately 22 species of migratory waterfowl that winter in coastal South Carolina. Three-thousand acres of former plantation rice fields are now actively managed by a series of water control structures, effectively serving as impoundments to provide feeding areas and sanctuary for waterfowl, shorebirds, wading birds, and other wildlife. The rich habitat the refuge provides is a result of careful management of this freshwater impoundment system. Prescribed fire and mechanical and chemical treatments are used to manipulate plant successional stages and regulate undesirable and noxious plants. However, the primary means of management of this system is dependable water level control utilizing rice field trunk and stop-log water control structures, as well as the 9-mile freshwater diversion canal.

Our speaker this month will be, Refuge Manager Russ Webb. Russ was raised in Port Wentworth, Georgia, where he spent as much time on the Savannah River and the Savannah NWR as he did in school. He began his career on the refuge at just fifteen years old, as a Youth Conservation Corps enrollee. After two summers of the hardest field work he had ever experienced, he decided that wildlife management would be his chosen career path. Russ's formal education began at Abraham Baldwin College, where he earned an Associate in Wildlife Technology in 1989. In that same year, he was offered a position as an Equipment Operator at Savannah NWR. Russ then moved up to the position on Wildlife Technician in 1996, at which time he returned to school to pursue a Bachelor of Science in Biology at Armstrong Atlantic State University. About a year after earning his biology degree, Russ was promoted to the position of Field Biologist. Currently, Russ is serving as the Refuge Manager for Savannah, Pinckney Island, Tybee, and Wassaw NWRs and has thoroughly enjoyed his 24 years managing coastal resource.

Russ has a wealth of information, not just about Savannah NWR and he is willing to share it with us. Come out and learn more about the beautiful area in which we live.

FREE. Open to the public without registration. Non-members are encouraged to attend this meeting. SNOWBIRDS WELCOME!

For More Information Contact: Coastal Discovery Museum at 843.689.6767

Website: <http://www.hiltonheadaudubon.org>



### THE EAGLE

By Alfred Lloyd Tennyson

He clasps the crag with crooked hands;  
Close to the sun in lonely lands,  
Ring'd with the azure world, he stands.

The wrinkled sea beneath him crawls;  
He watches from his mountain walls,  
And like a thunderbolt he falls

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## NOTES FROM THE NEWHALL PRESERVE

*by Jack Greenshields*

At a recent visit to the Newhall Preserve, I came across a visitor from Arizona who was extremely excited about viewing a pileated woodpecker. She also photographed a yellow-bellied sapsucker and could not miss the large flock of yellow-rumped warblers.

After a summer without an alligator in the pond, one has apparently wandered in from Sea Pines and has taken up residence. The consensus is that the distance between the nose and eyes of this reptile is approximately six inches, so we are estimating our new alligator is a bit over six feet in length. With the cool weather, alligators become less active, so this secretive visitor may be difficult to spot.

Thanks to Matt Mattoon for transporting one of our benches back to his shop and making repairs, thus avoiding the purchase of a complete new bench. Thanks also to Karen Marts for being our very dedicated trail monitor for December.

The South Carolina Forestry Commission has e-mailed an approval of our grant request and will fund the \$11,200 cost of creating a fuel break at the Newhall Preserve. Most of the fuel break will be on the Preserve perimeter, so it will not be noticeable from our most frequented areas. The main entrance and trail will be widened somewhat to act as an interior fuel break, but this is expected to make the Preserve more inviting to the public. Sea Pines residents, the Hilton Head Fire Department, and the town of Hilton Head have all endorsed this project which will significantly reduce the risk of a large out of control fire impacting Sea Pines and the Audubon Newhall Preserve. Oliver's Bush Hogging of Beaufort is tentatively scheduled to complete this project in late January or early February. Thanks to Newhall Committee member and Sea Pines resident Tom Hennessey for taking a leadership position on this project.

Should there be any question regarding the Audubon Newhall Preserve, please e-mail me at [jackg308@gmail.com](mailto:jackg308@gmail.com) or telephone at 651-491-1851.

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## Cornell Lab's eBird

Nan Lloyd is inviting a birder from GOS to help a group of us who want to learn how to use eBird to both report birds in our specific areas and to find new birds. I am planning on informal study session at Coastal Discovery Museum.

If you are seriously interested, contact Nan at 843-422-2023 or [nanseapines@gmail.com](mailto:nanseapines@gmail.com).

## RECENT AREA BIRD SIGHTINGS

*by Jack Colcolough*

Our cooler Winter weather is here and most of our Winter ducks, shorebirds and songbirds arrived in time for our Christmas Bird Count on 12/14. It has been a very active month bird wise and particularly on nearby Tybee Island.

Two Accidental migrants were reported being sighted on Tybee Island during the last month... the Dickcissel and the Harlequin Duck.

Rare species reported included: Brown Creeper, Clay-colored Sparrow, Common Elder and Purple Sandpiper at Tybee Island, Roseate Spoonbill at Beaufort, King Rail at Hutchinson Island and White-crowned and Fox Sparrows on HHI. Also a late Fall migrant Yellow-breasted Chat was sighted at Tybee Island.

Unusual species found were: Dark-eyed Junco, Baltimore Oriole, Redhead, Canvasback, Ruddy Duck, endangered Piping Plover, American Pipit, White-winged Scoter, American White Pelican, Greater Scaup, Merlin, Loggerhead Shrike, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Lesser Black-backed Gull, Vesper and Field Sparrows, Pine Siskin, Rusty Blackbird, White-breasted Nuthatch and Winter Wren.

Two "Out-Of-Season" birds sighted were: Ruby-throated Hummingbirds at three HHI locations and several Painted Buntings.

Other "First-Of-The-Season" birds reported included: Northern Gannet, Black and Surf Scoters, Wilson's Snipe, American Wigeon, Hooded Merganser, Gadwall, Bufflehead, Bald Eagle, Hermit Thrush, White-throated and Song Sparrows, Cedar Waxwing, Sora, American Goldfinch, Red Knot and Greater Yellowlegs.

Other good birds reported were: Black & White Warbler, Eastern Meadowlark, Gray Catbird, Northern Gannet, Red Knot, Red-breasted Merganser, White-eyed Vireo, Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Red-headed Woodpecker. Common Yellowthroat and endangered Wood Stork.

Thanks to all reporting their sightings: Barry Lowes, Rick/Pam Riebesell, Jane/Abie Hester, Carol Clemens, Fran/Denny Baer, Carlos Chacon, Dottie Bass, Dick Phillips, Karen Marts, Kathy/Grant Greider, Dawn Brut, Dorothy Mosior, Doreen Cubie, Diana Churchill, Dianne Faucette, Buddy Campbell, Miriam Waterhouse, Jim Grove, Mary Ann Lueckel, Russ Wigh, Annette Hausman, Wendy Hansen, Tom Leboeuf, Judith Rollins and several visitors.

To report a bird sighting that is Accidental, Rare, Uncommon, Out-Of-Season, First-Of-The-Year (FOTY) or First-Of-The-Season (FOTS) or a bird you consider a "good find" e-mail: [Birding-Friends@yahoo.com](mailto:Birding-Friends@yahoo.com) or call 843-432-2661 (MUST dial the 843). Please state your full name, the bird species sighted, date and location of your sighting and any other pertinent information about the sighting.

It's a good time to get outside and enjoy some good birding! Winter birding is some of the best birding in our area with the presence of our plentiful Winter ducks, shorebirds and songbirds plus our resident birds.

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# JANUARY FIELD TRIP *by Carlos Chacon*

Wednesday, January 22, 2014

## ***Magnolia Plantation and Gardens in Charleston SC.***

Located at : 3550 Ashley River Rd, Charleston, SC 29414.

The group should arrive at 8:45 am. A local guide will welcome the group and lead the group in an exploration of the gardens and the Audubon swamp.

The tour has a cost of \$15 per participants. \$5 extra for non-members of the Audubon local chapter.

There are 254 migratory and year round bird species found at Magnolia Plantation. Bird walks are the best way to see as many of these wondrous creatures as possible. Founded in 1676 by the Drayton family, Magnolia Plantation has survived the centuries and witnessed the history of our nation unfold before it from the American Revolution through the Civil War and beyond. It is the oldest public tourist site in the Lowcountry, and the oldest public gardens in America, opening its doors to visitors in 1870 to view the thousands of beautiful flowers and plants in its famous gardens. So join us here at Magnolia Plantation to experience the beauty of its gardens and its rich history today. The Audubon Swamp Garden is a unique world where trees grow from the water, islands float, and everywhere wild creatures go about their secret lives. It boasts a diversity of living things almost unequaled anywhere else in America. Thousands of plant and animal species coexist amongst the cypress and tupelo gum trees, surrounded by blackwater. Each year, hundreds of egrets, herons, and other waterfowl nest within feet of the walking path. You can explore this wild and otherwise inaccessible landscape on boardwalks, bridges, and dikes.

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### MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

We welcome several recent new members to the Hilton Head Audubon Society. They are:

Sam Cathey

Pauline Jones

Michael and Micheline Levie

Mary Mittleberg

Patti Peacock

Rosemary Staples



Thanks to all who have renewed their dues! Remember, you will get an email reminding you when your dues are due. Dues are renewed yearly by the quarter in which you last paid. Questions? Contact Carol Clemens at [cclemens318@roadrunner.com](mailto:cclemens318@roadrunner.com)

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Please detach and mail or bring to the next meeting.

Local Membership: select either  1 year individual \$15 or  1 year family \$25

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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For LOCAL residents, please indicate your plantation/neighborhood such as Sea Pines, Indigo Run, Bluffton, Sun City etc. \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ (please print clearly!)

Can you help us with any of these activities on an as needed basis? Please check any of interest to you.  Audubon Newhall Preserve  Field Trips  Conservation  Education  Christmas Bird Count  Publicity/Programs  other \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail to: P.O. Box 6185 – Hilton Head Island, SC - 29938**

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## Hi Birders,

These are the birds you might expect to see at Magnolia Gardens when Audubon takes a trip there on 1/22 .This post is from the “carolinabirds” list serve. An Out-Of-Season Yellow-breasted Chat woul be great!

Jack C., HHI, Good Birding!



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Date: Sun, 22 Dec 2013 20:16:49 -0500  
From: Ann Truesdale <anntue@mindspring.com>  
Subject: Magnolia Gardens, Charleston, SC

Great bird walk at Magnolia Gardens this morning, but the most notable bird was the one we didn't \*really\* see. On Nov 24, a Yellow-breasted Chat was spotted in a vine bramble. Today we had flashes of yellow in the same spot, but did not see the bird well enough to count it. Our gut feeling was that it was the nefarious Chat, but . . .

So, if you go birding at Magnolia, check out the bramble on the edge of the swamp near the slave cabins -- it is across the road from the little vegetable garden. You might find that Chat!

Otherwise, we had a good winter birding list including a variety of sparrows, 6 duck species, Cedar Waxwings, Goldfinches, and Blue-headed Vireos. Less common birds for the season were White-eyed Vireos and a single Blue-gray Gnatcatcher. Great Blue Herons are already building nests, so the rookery season in the Audubon Swamp is just around the corner.

Ann Truesdale, Meggett, SC  
anntue@mindspring.com

Magnolia Gardens, Charleston, US-SC

Dec 22, 2013 8:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Protocol: Traveling 3.0 mile(s)

Comments: Regular Sunday morning birdwalk.

### 63 species

Wood Duck 1	Red-shouldered Hawk 2	Carolina Wren 30
Gadwall 70	Red-tailed Hawk 1	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 1
American Wigeon 2	Sora 3 heard only, rice fields	Ruby-crowned Kinglet 10
Blue-winged Teal 120	Common Gallinule 60 most in rice fields	Eastern Bluebird 15
Green-winged Teal 25	American Coot 150 rice fields	Hermit Thrush 3
Lesser Scaup 2 on cross dike, rice fields	Ring-billed Gull 100	American Robin 20
Pied-billed Grebe 8	Mourning Dove 6	Gray Catbird 1
Double-crested Cormorant 6	Red-bellied Woodpecker 15	Northern Mockingbird 8
Anhinga 1 rice fields	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker 4	Cedar Waxwing 150
Great Blue Heron 8 nest building in Audubon Swamp rookery	Downy Woodpecker 1	Black-and-white Warbler 1
Great Egret 1	Northern Flicker 4	Pine Warbler 1
Black-crowned Night-Heron 1 cross dike, rice fields	Pileated Woodpecker 3	Yellow-rumped Warbler 50
White Ibis 1	Eastern Phoebe 3	Chipping Sparrow 40
Black Vulture 6	White-eyed Vireo 3	Song Sparrow 4
Turkey Vulture 25	Seen clearly by several people; in two differ- ent locations.	Swamp Sparrow 3
Osprey 1	Blue-headed Vireo 4	White-throated Sparrow 15
Carrying *large* fish across horse pasture.	Blue Jay 4	Dark-eyed Junco 2
Northern Harrier 1 rice fields	American Crow 40	Northern Cardinal 25
Sharp-shinned Hawk 1	Fish Crow 60	Red-winged Blackbird 60
Bald Eagle 3 1 adult, 1 first year and 1 4-year old	Tree Swallow 50	Rusty Blackbird 1
	Carolina Chickadee 20	Common Grackle 30
	Tufted Titmouse 20	Boat-tailed Grackle 2
		American Goldfinch 6

View this checklist online at <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist?subID=S16048048>

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# BIRDING FROM THE COAST TO THE MOUNTAINS IN CALIFORNIA

by Nan Lloyd

In early August seven of us flew into San Francisco to meet our (VENT) Victor Emmanuel Nature Tours guide for two and a half weeks and 2,200 miles of fabulous birding in central California. We had a fifteen passenger van loaded with luggage, cooler, snacks, binoculars, scopes, cameras, iPads, walking sticks, jackets, etc. Every day our van pulled out of the motel at 5:00 am. We drove in the dark, had a big hot breakfast and were ready to bird by daylight. A picnic lunch was always at a picturesque birding spot and dinners were at 6:00 pm immediately after check-in. We had a really fun, well-traveled, extremely “focused” group.

Our first venture was over the Golden Gate Bridge to Muir Woods and up the rocky, windy coast to Point Reyes and Bodega Bay. Brandt’s Cormorants and Elegant Terns were highlights for me. Next, on to Napa Valley to “bird” the vineyards and then to Sacramento Valley. Here it took two days to find the localized, endemic Yellow-billed Magpie. Their numbers are down 80% due to West Nile Virus. Continuing to the Sierra Nevada and its various ecosystems – the changes were very apparent and especially evident was the two years of drought. That night we were in South Lake Tahoe. Heading South now, we drove through Monitor Pass and birded Mono Lake and Great Basin Desert. The recent PBS documentary “Earth Flight” featured this unique breeding site of the California Gulls feeding on the Brine Flies.

We journeyed up the White Mountains and birded the narrow 10,000 ft. trails among the ancient Bristlecone Pines –the oldest trees in the world! Next were four incredible days in Yosemite: Half-Dome, El Capitan, Mariposa Grove, on and on. The birding was continuous: woodpeckers, warblers, hawks, Golden Eagle, Great Grey Owl (three fell chasing it – I didn’t, but I missed it!!) Everywhere you looked was breathtaking vista. I celebrated my birthday with a White-headed Woodpecker! I have seen them all now except the Ivory-billed. (Will keep looking!) Our last day there, the park was getting smoky! Really Sad!

We had a long drive through the rich Central Valley agricultural district back to the Pacific coast: Monterey, Carmel and Big Sur. Here among the highlights were the “Lone Cypress” at Pebble Beach and on Big Sur: California Condor #470 born in the wild! At dinner that evening we read his “family tree” on the internet and had a toast. Our bird was countable!!! Next was an all day, pelagic trip out of Monterey Bay with Debbie Shearwater of the “Big Year” fame – long on my “list”.

I can’t believe the drives, the hikes, the long hours and all the way to the end we were “best of friends”. The tallest trees: Muir Woods, the biggest trees: Mariposa Grove, the oldest trees: Bristlecone Pines, the biggest bird: the Condor and the biggest mammal: the Blue Whale. WOW!! We found 231 species. I had 19 lifers and a wonderful time!

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CBC Birders in Hilton Head Plantation



## REPORT ON THE DECEMBER 9<sup>th</sup> FIELD TRIP to Harbor Island

On the foggy morning of December 9<sup>th</sup>, 8 members of the HHI Audubon Society carpooled to Harbor Island for a morning of birding. Our group was met by 3 residents of Harbor Island who led us on a walk down the beach. Even though it was extremely foggy, we had a good trip and spotted at least 20 species. The highlight was the sighting of 10 piping plovers, 4 of which were banded. We were able to identify the flags and bands on three of the birds well enough to be able to report them. Thanks to Carlos Chacon for organizing the trip! We all enjoyed it.

Watch the Ecobon for information on other field trips. Remember, as a dues-paying member of the HHI Audubon Society, most of these field trips are free. Non-members are welcome when space is available for a \$5.00 fee.

Here is the list of birds we saw, but you might not want to include this:

Cormorant	Herring Gull	Ring-billed Gull
Brown Pelican	Laughing Gull	Royal Tern
Cormorant	Least Sandpiper	Ruddy Turnstone
Dunlin	Marbled Godwit	Sanderlings
Forster's Tern	Oystercatcher	Savannah Sparrow
Great Blue Heron	Piping Plover (10 - 4 banded)	Snowy Egret
		Western Sandpiper



### Know where to report banded birds?

by Carol Clemens

If you see a banded bird and can get a good view of the flags/bands please consider reporting it. There are several places on line where information is collected. If you can get a photo to include, it is especially helpful. If you submit enough clear information on the banded birds, you usually get a report on where the bird was banded and other places it has been seen. One place to report banded birds is to the North American Bird Banding Laboratory located at the Patuxent Wildlife Research Center. Their website is: <http://www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbl/> Another site is the Banded Birds Group at <http://www.bandedbirds.org/>. This site has very clear instructions for submitting your information. Even if you have no birds to report, they are sites with interesting information.

### BIRD SEED SALE BEGINS!

The 2014 edition of our annual fund raiser is planned for January 2 to March 1. Our sponsor, Virginia Culter of Wild Birds Unlimited, once again has volunteered to host this program. This includes a discount on the seeds purchased within this sale period, a direct donation to our chapter, and the storage of your seeds until needed.



Please use the 2014 Order Form from the HHI Audubon Home Menu or the attached form in this issue or one from Wild Birds Unlimited Store.

Thank you for your support. ~ Ed



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## JANUARY ~ FEBRUARY 2014 Calendar

### JANUARY

- Thurs. Jan. 2 **Board Meeting** ..... 10:00 am  
at the Country Club of Hilton Head
- Thurs. Jan. 9 **Monthly Meeting** at Honey Horn ..... 3:00 pm
- Weds. Jan. 22 **Field Trip to Camellia Plantation** ..... 8:45 am  
in Charleston

### FEBRUARY

- Thurs. Feb. 6 **Board Meeting** ..... 10:00 am  
at the Country Club of Hilton Head
- Thurs. Feb. 13 **Monthly Meeting** at Honey Horn ..... 3:00 pm

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Monthly meetings of the Hilton Head Island Audubon Society are regularly scheduled at 3:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month, September through May. Meetings are held at the Coastal Discovery Museum, 70 Honey Horn Drive. Members and guests welcome!



## BEQUESTS

If you wish to honor a family member or friend with a memorial gift, or remember the Audubon Ne-whall Preserve or the Hilton Head Island Audubon Society in your will, your gift may be in the form of securities, cash, life insurance, real estate, or other property.

Contact your own estate planner or our Audubon Chapter at P.O. Box 6185, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina 29938.

Sharing your estate with Audubon not only reduces the taxes on your estate but will help protect birds, wildlife, and their habitat in the years to come.