

The public (including non-AMV members) is welcome at all events of Audubon Miami Valley. All field trips are free unless otherwise noted.

Notice for any trip that must be cancelled for any reason will be made on the AMV web site as soon as it is known. If raining or snowing the morning of a field trip, call the field trip coordinator (Chuck Holliday, 513-863-6223) to confirm that the trip will be held, or to receive alternate instructions.

Responsibility release: All persons knowingly participate in listed events at their own risk.

For more information on any listed trip, to suggest a location for a field trip, to locate a specific bird for your life list, or to a volunteer to lead a field trip, please contact Chuck Holliday at 513-863-6223 or Chuck76029@aol.com.

Join our AMV Members listserve. Receive field trip notices, schedules of upcoming monthly programs, and Citizen Science activities. To join, visit: <http://listserv.muohio.edu/archives/amvmembers.html>. It's free and open to everyone, even non-members!

For membership information, please visit our website: www.orgs.muohio.edu/AudubonMiamiValley

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Oct. 30, 2004 **Oxbow** **Jon Seymour**
To get to the new Oxbow parking lot, as you enter Lawrenceburg, turn south from Rt. 50 at the Shell gas station, drive back to the cement plant, turn right to the end of the road, then left into the parking lot. For more information about the Oxbow, check out www.oxbowinc.org.

Nov. 13 **Lima & St Mary's** **Dave Dister**
We will join Dave and the Gem City Birders in Dayton at 8:30 am. Dave promises "more ruddy ducks than you can shake a stick at" as well as snow buntings on the Metzger/Ferguson causeway, and as always, a chance of scoters or long-tailed ducks. Meet at the east end parking lot of the Middletown Mall at 7:45am. Carpooling will be the call of the day.

Dec. 11 **Germantown MP** **Chris Parker & Doug Horvath**
Meet at the Germantown Metropark Nature Center at 8:30 am. From Oxford: travel SR 127 north then east on SR 725 for ~11 miles, turn left on Boomershine Rd. to park entrance. Follow signs to the Nature Center

Jan. 29, 2005 **The Wilds** **TBA**
Will the Golden Eagles and the Prairie Falcon still be there? Northern harriers, rough-legged hawks and short-eared owls are certain. This is a full day trip, bring lunch and we will stop for dinner on the way home. The Wilds, southeast of Zanesville, OH is a 10,000 acre reclaimed strip mine turned zoological park. Meet at the east end parking lot of the Middletown Mall. We will leave promptly at 7:30 am. Travel time is around 2 1/2 hours and car-pooling will be essential. **Reserve your space by contacting Chuck Holliday at 513-863-6223 or Chuck76029@aol.com.**

March 12 **Muscatatuck NWR** **Chuck Holliday**
Ducks, ducks and more ducks as they head north! Located less than 100 miles from us near Seymour, Indiana, Muscatatuck National Wildlife Refuge offers more than 7,000 acres of fields, lakes, ponds, and marshes to attract great numbers of migrating ducks. Special entrance into the back stretches and prohibited areas is a great possibility. Meet at the Lowes parking lot on Colerain Ave (Rt. 27). at 7:00 am.

April 9, 10 **Prairie Ridge State Natural Area, Newton, Illinois**
It's your chance to see the Greater Prairie Chicken and other endangered prairie species. Cost: \$75.00/person; includes transportation, lodging, snacks, donation to Audubon Miami Valley. Limit-12. **For reservations contact David R. Osborne (513) 523-6404.**

Apr. 23 **Spring Valley** **TBA**
Let's check out the early migrants and get our necks ready to look up. This state wildlife area, near Waynesville, Ohio, offers excellent variety of habitats, a great boardwalk into the marsh and easy walking trails. Prothonotary warbler, Virginia rails and red-headed woodpeckers all nest here. Meet at the east end parking lot of the Middletown Mall at 7:00 am to carpool.

May 7 **Warbler Walk** **Larry Sherman**
Did you know that we are in the thick of the warbler migration belt? Join us for the annual Warbler Walk at Kathy Hunter and Ron Huffmeier's farm in nearby Indiana to search for these neo-tropical jewels. Meet at 7:30 am (Ohio time) at Oxford's Wal-Mart parking lot on Locust St.

May 10-12 **Crane Creek Birding Safari** **Bill Heck**
Our annual trip to one of the best birding spots in the US. This 3-day trip covers lots of territory between here and Lake Erie. Probably one of the best value birding trips in the country! Food (except for dinner) lodging and transportation, along with expert guides will cost less than \$225/person. Participation is limited to the first 20 registrants. **Reserve your space by contacting Bill Heck at 513-523-7715 or heckwc@muohio.edu.**

June 11 **Clear Creek Metropark** **Dave Dister**
We will be looking for nesting Blue wing warblers at this Columbus Metropark in Hocking Hills. Meet at the east end parking lot of the Middletown Mall at 7:00am to carpool.

June 14-16 **Kirtland's Warbler Trip** **Jim Reid**
Travel to Mio, Michigan to see on of the rarest warblers in North America. Expense cost sharing should be around \$250/person, and will include a \$10 donation to both Miami University's Natural Areas and Audubon Miami Valley. Trip limited to 8 participants, so pre-register now! **Reserve your space by contacting Chuck Holliday at 513-863-6223 or Chuck76029@aol.com.**