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### Avian Influenza a (Bird Flu) update by Mary Harward

Bird Flu is in the news with increasing infections in cattle, poultry, and cats. While only a few cases have been documented in songbirds, and transmission among them remains minimal, the possibility still exists.

There has been no documented transmission between humans; however, the virus continues to evolve in ways that may increase this risk. Currently, human infections occur from exposure to infected poultry or cattle secretions or excretions. One person in Louisiana died from H5N1 infection after exposure to infected backyard poultry.

Additionally, we are experiencing a severe influenza season, which may contribute to changes between Bird Flu (H5N1) and human flu strains (H3N2, H1N1). The H, N, and numbers refer to specific proteins on the outside of the Influenza A viruses (which causes illness in birds and humans) that allow identification of the specific type of virus. You will see these notations in news articles and reports.

#### For now, to remain prepared:

- (1) Clean bird feeders and baths regularly as described in the February Tattler.
- (2) Call Irvine Animal Control (949-724-7092) if you find a dead bird at SJWS or if found somewhere else, call CA Dead Bird Hotline (877-968-2473).
- (3) Avoid touching sick or dead birds, but if unavoidable, wear disposable gloves and face mask.
- (4) Wear disposable gloves and face mask when checking nest boxes.
- (5) Remove your backyard bird feeders if you have backyard poultry.
- (6) Keep cats indoors.
- (7) Avoid raw milk and raw meat.
- (8) Stay current with posts in the Tattler and from the Cornell Lab.

https://www.allaboutbirds.org/news/avian-influenzaoutbreak-should-you-take-down-your-bird-feeders/ (updated 2/17/25)

Sources: U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Cornell Lab All About Birds

### **DO NOT MISS 2 GREAT APRIL EVENTS!**

General Meeting - HYBRID Presentation Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>- 5:15 PM (DIFFERENT TIME)

ENJOY A WONDERFUL IN PERSON TALK ON OUR PELAGIC TRIPS AND THEN GO ACROSS THE STREET TO HEAR AMY TAN!

PLEASE NOTE THIS MEETING WILL BE AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM AND IN PERSON AT THE LEARNING CENTER AT THE SAN JOAQUIN MARSH. This will be our first in person option for the general meeting since covid! The earlier time is to accommodate our double feature: Amy Tan at the Barclay Theater at 8 pm.

### "Take the plunge! Come experience a pelagic trip!" presented by Tom Benson

Despite its small size, Orange County hosts a wide variety of habitats, from forests and woodlands in the upper reaches of the Santa Ana Mountains to the nutrient-rich waters of the Pacific Ocean. Sea & Sage Audubon organizes four pelagic trips each year to explore Orange County's pelagic waters to discover and observe the unique suite of species that call this ocean habitat their home. Tom Benson will discuss the history of Sea & Sage's pelagic trips, how they work, where we go, and of course, the wonderful birds we see on these trips. After the presentation, take the plunge (figuratively!) and sign up for one of our upcoming pelagic trips in May or July.

Tom Benson has served as the Secretary of the California Bird Records Committee since 2015. Despite moving to the Inland Empire where he is now a member of San Bernardino Valley Audubon, he is still addicted to pelagic birding and co-leads pelagic trips for Sea & Sage.

Meeting begins 5:15 pm via Zoom OR in person at the Learning Center. Link to join Zoom mtg. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84198423399 (If this link isn't working for you, try
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Melissa & Catherine, Program Co-Chairs

### Conservation News

### Susan Sheakley, Conservation Chair



<u>Apr Meetings & (Contact Persons)</u>: '4<sup>th</sup> Tues' Cons. Lecture TU Apr. 22; Cons Committee TU Apr 1 (S Sheakley); Coastal TBD (S Thomas); Tackling Climate & Trash TBD (S Warrier); Legislation & Advocacy SU Apr 27 (V Leipzig)

### '4<sup>th</sup> Tues.' Conservation Lecture

Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> - 7:00 pm

**Zoom** Doors will open at 6:30 pm

"Talking Trash with Trina Miller"

**Presented by -** Trina Miller, Education Coordinator, Algalita Foundation

Trina Miller, a marine biologist with an extensive background in marine debris research, will share findings from her investigation into plastic pollution in the rocky intertidal zone of San Pedro, CA and its connection to Algalita's mission. As a Southern California native with a deep passion for the ocean, she is excited to highlight how local fieldwork ties into broader efforts to address plastic pollution. Trina looks forward to empowering others to take action and be part of this critical movement.

Advance registration is required for this event and will be available through the Sea and Sage website under 'What's New' and 'Conservation.'



### "Shared Spaces: Creating Bird Friendly Cities and Communities"

World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) Is a campaign to bring attention to the annual spring and fall migrations of birds and the need to protect migratory birds and their habitats. While events are organized globally on the second Saturday in May and October, the chapter observes WMBD throughout the months of April and May each spring with our Spring Count. More information on the Spring Count is on page 4.

**WMBD 2025** suggests a few simple actions we can take to create bird friendly spaces where we live.

**Plant natives:** plants that are native to your area provide the food and shelter birds need. Remove invasives.

**Dim the lights at night:** the glow may disrupt their rest cycle, alter migration, and affect breeding.

**Make windows visible:** birds don't recognize glass panes and may collide with windows.

**Protect insects:** most birds depend on insects at some point in their life cycle. Avoid pesticides and other chemicals that contribute to the decline of butterflies, dragonflies and other insects.

**Restrain Domestic Pets:** free roaming pets can distress and even kill birds. Provide a Catio, leash your pets, and provide indoor entertainment.

**Prevent Plastic Pollution:** reuse shopping bags, avoid single-use plastic containers and utensils, buy non-plastic toys and decorations.

**Purchase sustainable food:** for example, shadegrown coffee and chocolate protect agroforests that include native tree diversity and tree canopy and reduce pollution which supports migratory birds where they winter. Buy local produce.

Advocate for Sustainable Urban Planning and Create Bird Friendly Spaces: sustainable urban planning is essential for protecting bird habitats and biodiversity. Support policies that encourage green and blue spaces, wildlife corridors, and "wild" areas in within the city.

For more information on World Migratory Bird Day and the source of these suggestions, go to: <a href="https://www.migratorybirdday.org">https://www.migratorybirdday.org</a>

### **Earth Day**

Save the Date!

2nd Annual Sea & Sage
EARTH DAY!

Sunday, April 27th

10 am to 2 pm



### **Activities include:**

Continental breakfast
Talk on Fauna and Flora
of the Marsh
Marsh Nature Walk
Birds of Prey demonstration



### Attendance is limited.

Eventbrite Reservations are required, but event is free. Watch for the Eventbrite signup coming soon!

Join us at the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary 5 Riparian View, Irvine



### Chapter News & Announcements

For more information about Sea & Sage activities, visit our chapter webpage at seaandsageaudubon.org



### **Audubon House Volunteers**

We would like to thank the following people for helping



to staff Audubon House in March and April: Kathy Blackmarr, Leslie El-Sayad, Greg Figge, Bridget Gardner, Elisa Guzman, John Hargrove, Ann Harmer, Sue Henry, Sarah Jayne, Braedon Kamm, Mary Meister, Kelly Morgan, Paula

Monroe, Dagmar Muthamia, Steve Munzinger, Michelle Olson, Barbara Reber, Jennifer Reed, Paul Saiki, Dev Sellin, Susan Sheakley, Hsini Shyu, Art Strauss, Barb Wasbin, Pat Wells, Phil Westin and Irene Wotta.

Our volunteers greet visitors, answer the phone, sell merchandise, answer questions about birds, check out binoculars, etc. If you are interested in helping at Audubon House, please call Paula Monroe, 480-299-9885, or Dev Sellin, 714-943-3682.

### Reading Group — Tues, April 15 – 1 pm

Reading Group – Eager: The Surprising Secret Life of Beavers And Why They Matter by Ben Goldfarb Check our chapter webpage and look at the Reading Group calendar for the Zoom link for the meeting.

### **Enroll your child in our Nature Day Camps**

We still have openings for our four summer camp programs, but they are filling fast. Children have fun as they take daily walks, create nature art, and make new friends who like birds and nature as much as they do. Don't be left out; go to Eventbrite to enroll your child in the best bird-watching experience!

### **Your Donation Brings School Children** to the Marsh

Each spring, we hear school children proclaim: "this is the best field trip ever!" During Outdoor Adventures, Santa Ana school children practice science, explore the wetland, and learn ways to help the environment. But to get them to the marsh from January to May, we need to raise \$8,400 for 27 bus trips. **We welcome any donation that fits your budget.** Send your check payable to Sea and Sage Audubon to School Bus, Sea and Sage Audubon, 5 Riparian View, Irvine, CA 92612. Thank you for supporting science education for our local youth!

# SEA AND SAGE MEMBERS GET A 50% DISCOUNT ON TICKETS! Promo Code: SEA&SAGE50 (Expires April 15th)



You can purchase Amy Tan's *The Backyard Bird Chronicles* in the Nature Store

### We thank these Additional Donors Who Contributed to our Annual Direct Mail Appeal received by Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>.

Christine Dickey David & Diane Hochner
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### **Orange County Spring Bird Count**

The OCSC (Orange County Spring Count) is part of a nationwide migration count, similar to a Christmas Bird Count, but timed to the opposite half of the migration cycle. Sea & Sage is encouraging birders to participate any time during the months of April and May. This will allow us to see and count more of the species that migrate through the county to focus on the best areas for birds, since comprehensive coverage of the entire county is not a realistic goal. How you can participate: It is simple to participate. Many of you already use eBird. You can enter your Spring Count data directly into eBird for any birding that you do during April and May. All that is needed is to share your eBird checklist with the Sea and Sage Audubon eBird account. The eBird user name is sea sage aud. For more info, please check our OCSC webpage.

https://seaandsageaudubon.org/home-sas/birdsurveys/#OCSC

### Marsh Education Project Annual Report 2024 – continued, page two

(page one was in the February issue of the Wandering Tattler)









**AUDUBON NATURALISTS.** We are proud of these volunteers who are vital to our programs.

- Adults (56): Darrel Airhart, Phyllis Anderson, Ann Barbour, Mindy Bergen, Rudi Berkelhamer, Michael Binder, Claire Bischoff, Kathy Blackmarr, Dejoie Blumberg, Dawn Bonker, Deborah Brin, Kelly Christensen, Tina Coombe, Teresa Cullen, Linda Daily, Bettina Eastman, Deb Gala, Amanda Gaskin, Kate Grabenstein, Sue Henry, Chris Holland, Judi Houlihan, Trude Hurd, Star Howard, Teri Jones-White, Julia Kim, Susan Kramer, Babs Levitan, Doug Lithgow, Ellen Mansour, Maya Matkin, Lori Mayeda, Karen McKinley, Hannah Mitchell, Alison Mizera, Paula Monroe, Mary Naasz, Jodi Newell, Carolyn Noble, Laura Osteen, Gail Richards, Jean Savage, Dev Sellin, Ellyn Siskind, Sandy Smith, Debbie Spurr, Stephanie Tanton, Russell Tanton, Ellen Tipping, Dan Trinidad, Pat Vranicar, Barbara Wasbin, Larry Wasbin, Amy Wisneskie, Irene Wotta, and Mary Ellen Wynn.
- Special thanks to Amanda Gaskin, Deborah Brin, Mary Ellen Wynn, Debbie Spurr and Kathy Blackmarr who each donated 200-500 hours!
- Youth (9): Nina Arnold, Jude Flores, Javier Greenway, Jolee Kuo, Annabel Meng, Aashay Mody, Peregrine Reed, Lili Sebestyen, and Jake Xia.
- New Outdoor Adventures Naturalists in training (6): Sandra Geiler, Mary Harward, Youlin Kingery, Michele Meyer, Emma Trammell, and Ray Wong.

#### **FINANCIAL AND IN-KIND SUPPORT**

- Partnership: We greatly appreciate our extraordinary partnership with the Irvine Ranch Water District for the past 32 years at the beautiful San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary in Irvine.
- Grant: Very special thanks to long-time Anonymous Foundation for a very generous \$50,000 grant.
- General Education Fund: \$48,298 raised from 23 donors: Anonymous (2), Kelsi Black, Gordon Generation Foundation, Tim & Mary Harward, Lena Hayashi, Amy Jackson, Daniel & Betty Kanne Charitable Fund, Nancy Kenyon, Paul Klahr, Gary & Maya Matkin, Mary Naasz, Newport Hills Garden Club, R. Phillips, Margaret Renton, Catherine Reynolds, Roger's Gardens, Ann Sakai, Kristine Swan, John & Karen Terry, Wickramasinghe Family Fund, Sudha Warrier and Jan Wilson.
- School Bus Fund: \$15,355 raised from 40 donors: Anonymous (1), Mark Adamson & Nancy Tschiderer, Georginia Elise Albi, Sonia Appell, Matt & Carolyn Biller, Kathy Blackmarr, Dejoie Blumberg, Dawn Bonker, Armida Brashears, Bev Krassner Bulas (2), Sandra Geiler, Diane Gillespie, Gwen Ginocchio, Kate Grabenstein, Debbie & Rachel Hays, Barbara Hosmer, Holly Joslin, Steve Kaye, Nancy Kenyon, James & Charice King (2), Patricia Knight, Erin & Brent Kraus, Li Larson, Babs Levitan, Robin Maguire, Cynthia Nelson, Carol Paquette (2), Helen Porter, Janice Rhoads, Sharon & Richard Ricciuti, Dev Sellin, Patricia Smith, Sandy Smith, Art Strauss, Stephanie Tanton, Edith & Tom Van Huss, Tammah Watts.
- o **Taxidermy Donations:** Sue Henry sponsored the new Great Blue Heron.
- o **Camp Scholarships:** We gave 9 scholarships and raised \$1,975 from 7 donors: Kathy Blackmarr, Deborah Brin, Ann Harmer, Mary Joseph, Carolyn Noble, Bev Spring and Mary Ellen Wynn.
- Junior Naturalists: We received \$3,000 from Anonymous donor to support birding trips for teens.

#### **NEW STAFF** – Education Assistant Mindy Bergen

We welcome Mindy Bergen who was hired in March 2024 to work 2 days a week for Outdoor Adventures and assist our Project Director. Mindy has a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry and worked at Irvine Ranch Water District for 19 years as their Chemistry Lab Supervisor. She has become a great educational asset!

**YOU CAN JOIN US!** We welcome new volunteers and your donations as we share the importance of birds and their habitats with our local community. Ask how you can get involved: SeaAndSageEducation@gmail.com

## Orange County Rarities by Braxton Landsman



To report a RARE or UNUSUAL bird, or to receive reports from other birders about rare or unusual bird sightings here in Orange County, send an email to: OrangeCountyBirding+subscribe@groups.io

Dominated by known wintering rarities, distribution trends, and the pursuit of new ones, February is the last full month of winter birding throughout SoCal. This article also features the departure of many wintering residents as well as the beginning of the breeding season for many of our resident species. Additionally, the earliest northbound migrants, most notably hummingbirds, swallows, and raptors, begin to arrive.

Two **White-winged Scoters** were off of Newport Beach Feb 23-24. **Long-tailed Ducks** were at San Gabriel and Santa Ana River mouths on the 3rd and 22-24th, respectively. A **White-winged Dove** was in Blue Lake Park in Irvine on February 10. A **Pacific Golden-Plover** continued at Upper Newport Bay on the 1st. An **American Oystercatcher** continued in Laguna Beach on Feb 9.

**Neotropic Cormorants** continued along the upper Santa Ana River this month, with another bird at Laguna Niguel Regional Park on the 2nd. An immature **Little Blue Heron** continued along the lower Santa Ana River from the 23-25th. An early **Swainson's Hawk** was in Yorba Linda on February 3, while a **Zone-tailed Hawk** was seen in North Tustin on the 8th.

Three **Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers** were seen this month, continuing a strong winter for the species. A **Prairie Falcon** continued near Irvine Lake on the 2nd.

6 Western Flycatchers continued in the county this month. Other wintering empids included the Gray Flycatcher at Riverdale Park in Anaheim through the 4th, Dusky Flycatcher at Veeh Ranch Park and a Hammond's Flycatcher at Mile Square Park and Harbor Lawn through the 6th and 25th, respectively. An Eastern Phoebe continued in Anaheim through the 2nd. The known Tropical Kingbird was at Huntington Central Park the entire month.

The wintering **Brown Creeper** continued at Huntington Central Park. A **Townsend's Solitaire** was at Knollcrest Park this month. The secretive **Gray Catbird** continued at Doheny State Beach through the 8th. Continuing a massive invasion from January, 6 **Sage Thrashers** were around the county this month, a continuation of this year's irruption in Southern California.

The Clay-colored and White-throated Sparrows both continued at Westminster Memorial Park this month. Vesper Sparrows were in Seal Beach and Irvine Regional Park. A Swamp Sparrow continued at San Joaquin Marsh throughout the month. A solid five Green-tailed Towhees were reported for the month.

The wintering adult male **Orchard Oriole** continued in Fountain Valley. A **Scott's Oriole** was in Live Oak Canyon on February 16. **Baltimore Orioles** continued at 3 locations this month, with 2 birds in the Fullerton location. 4 **Black-and-White Warblers** were around this month, 3 which were returning birds. The adult male **American Redstart** continued at Huntington Central Park, while a female/immature was at Rimgate Park in Lake Forest on the 8th. A **Palm Warbler** continued in Anaheim on the 13th. The very elusive **Grace's Warbler** continued at Knollcrest Park in Irvine through the end of the month.

### ACCESSIBLE BIRDING TRIP: San Joaquin Marsh - Friday, May 2, at 9:00 AM

Our last birding event before the summer break will be at the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary on Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9am. This will be a slow walk on unshaded, flat, hard-packed paths. Anyone who prefers a slower paced walk is welcome. There are permanent handicapped restrooms on site. After our birding, we will enjoy a bring-you-own lunch at shaded picnic tables. The event is free, but please email Sharon Rockwell at <a href="mailto:srockwell@writeme.com">srockwell@writeme.com</a> to reserve your space

 $Coastal\ CBC\ Report\ -\ 1/4/25$  This count was coordinated and compiled by Bettina Eastman. (Participants: 137 - Species 197)

SPECIES		SPECIES		SPECIES		SPECIES SPECIES	Total
Snow Goose	10141	Short-billed Dowitcher	201	Great Blue Heron	75	Bewick's Wren	20
Ross's Goose	1		172	American White Pelican	248	Cactus Wren	3
Gr. Wh-fronted Goose	7	Long-billed Dowitcher Wilson's Snipe	3	Brown Pelican	243		5 529
	737	•	43	Turkey Vulture	89	European Starling California Thrasher	10
Brant	6	Spotted Sandpiper	45 15	*	35		10
Cackling Goose		Lesser Yellowlegs	922	Osprey White-tailed Kite	17	Sage Thrasher	06
Canada Goose		Willet				Northern Mockingbird	
Blue-winged Teal	84	Greater Yellowlegs	48		3	Western Bluebird	353
Cinnamon Teal		Ruddy Turnstone	13	Cooper's Hawk	29	Hermit Thrush	58
Northern Shoveler		Red Knot	33	Northern Harrier	11	American Robin	11
Gadwall		Sanderling	67	Bald Eagle	7	Cedar Waxwing	492
Eurasian Wigeon	2	Dunlin	99	Red-shouldered Hawk		Phainopepla	070
American Wigeon		Least Sandpiper	709	Red-tailed Hawk	97	House Sparrow	276
Mallard		Western Sandpiper	2115	Barn Owl	1	American Pipit	598
Northern Pintail		Rhinoceros Auklet	16	Great Horned Owl	11	House Finch	1840
Green-winged Teal	461	Bonaparte's Gull	26	Burrowing Owl	1	Lesser Goldfinch	536
Canvasback	1	Heermann's Gull	24	•	30	American Goldfinch	59
Redhead		Short-billed Gull (Mew)	1	Red-breasted Sapsucker		Chipping Sparrow	8
Ring-necked Duck	8	Ring-billed Gull	993		5	Lark Sparrow	2
Greater Scaup		Western Gull	606		16	Fox Sparrow	1
Lesser Scaup		American Herring Gull	4	Nuttall's Woodpecker	92	Dark-eyed Junco (Ore)	
Surf Scoter	440	California Gull	493	Northern Flicker	15		815
Bufflehead	499	Glaucous-winged Gull		American Kestrel	28	Golden-crowned Sparrow	5
Common Goldeneye		Black Skimmer	56	Merlin	4	White-throated Sparrow	1
Hooded Merganser	13	Caspian Tern	20	Peregrine Falcon	5	Savannah Sparrow	287
Red-breasted Merganser		Forster's Tern	1	Black Phoebe	512	Song Sparrow	528
Ruddy Duck	784	Royal Tern	36	Say's Phoebe	114	Lincoln Sparrow	29
California Quail	7	Pied-billed Grebe	112	Vermilion Flycatcher	31	California Towhee	90
Rock Pigeon	733	Horned Grebe	3	Tropical Kingbird	1	Spotted Towhee	76
Band-tailed Pigeon	13	Red-necked Grebe	1	Cassin's Kingbird	208	Tri-colored Blackbird	
Eurasian Collared-Dove		Eared Grebe	43	Western Kingbird	1	Western Meadowlark	
Mourning Dove	419	Western Grebe	1338	Hutton's Vireo	19	Red-winged Blackbird	372
Greater Roadrunner	4	Clark's Grebe	12	Loggerhead Shrike	3	Brown-headed Cowbird	128
White-throated Swift	31	Red-throated Loon	14	California Scrub-Jay	20	Brewer's Blackbird	208
Anna's Hummingbird	320	Pacific Loon	46	American Crow	10161	Great-tailed Grackle	98
Allen's Hummingbird	650	Common Loon	4	Common Raven	77	Black-and-white Warbler	1
Virginia Rail	11	Black-vented Shearwater	558	Mountain Chickadee	3	Orange-crowned Warbler	208
Sora	14	Brandt's Cormorant	58	Horned Lark	124	Common Yellowthroat	324
Common Gallinule	2	Pelagic Cormorant	16	Tree Swallow	5	American Redstart	1
American Coot	2115	Double-crest. Cormorant	1953	No.Rough-wing. Swallow	1	Black-and-white Warbler	1
Black-necked Stilt	183	Neotropic Cormorant	1	Barn Swallow	42	Orange-crowned Warbler	208
American Avocet	223	White-faced Ibis	486	Bushtit	820	Common Yellowthroat	324
Black Oystercatcher	3	Least Bittern	1	Wrentit	37	American Redstart	1
Black-bellied Plover	644	YellCrown. Night-Heron	25	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	293	Yellow Warbler	7
Killdeer		Black-Crown. Night-Heron	104	Brown Creeper	1	Yellow-rumped Warbler	2346
Semipalmated Plover		Little Blue Heron	1	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	107	Black-throat. Gray Warbler	3
Snowy Plover		Reddish Egret	7	California Gnatcatcher	9	Townsend's Warbler	
Whimbrel		Snowy Egret	171	Rock Wren	1	Wilson's Warbler	6
Long-billed Curlew	58	Green Heron	14	Northern House Wren	46	Summer Tanager	1
Marbled Godwit		Great Egret	81		8	Western Tanager	1
EXOTIC SPECIES: Egypt	ian Go	ose 86, Mandarin Duck	4, Dor	nestic Duck 39, Muscov	v	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
Duck 1, Mitered Parake	et 62,	Red-crowned Parrot 11	4, Lila	c-crowned Parrot 42, Re	ed-	Jan Hadda Sidobodik	
lored Parrot 29, Turquoise(Blue)-fronted Parrot 4, Yellow-headed Parrot 5, Rose-ringed Parakeet 1, Swinhoe's White-Eye 775, Scaly-breasted Munia 45, Pin-tailed Whydah 82.							
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### **SCHEDULE of CHAPTER ACTIVITIES**

- (p) OC Parks card or pay park fee at entrance
- (R) Space limited; reservations necessary see webpage
- (\$) Pay in advance for trip see webpage writeup on trip

#### April 2025:

	April 2023.			
			COUNTY SPRING COUNT ALL MONTH - see page 4	
			Conservation Com. Mtg via Zoom 6:45 pm	
	5-6	S/S	Eastern Sierra weekend birding trip ® 7:00 am	
	80	Tues	Quail Hill Open Space Preserve Bird Walk ® 7:00 am	
	80	Tues	Board Meeting7:00 pm	
	13	Sun	Monthly Bird Walk at the SJWS ® 8:00 am	
	16	Wed	UNB by pontoon boat ®8:15 am	
	18	Fri	GENERAL MEETING (new time)5:15 pm	
	18	Fri	Amy Tan at the Barclay Theater ® 8:00 pm	
	20	Sun	Anaheim Coves Bird Walk8:00 am	
	22	Tues	'4th Tues' Conservation Lecture via Zoom7:00 pm	
	27	Sun	EARTHDAY at the SJWS10 am-2 pm	
	27	Sun	Upper Newport Bay Monthly Bird Walk 8:00 am	
May 2025:				
	ORA	ANGE C	COUNTY SPRING COUNT ALL MONTH – see page 4	
	02	Fri	Accessible Birding at SJWS9:00 am	
	03	Sat	Spring Pelagic Trip ®6:30 am	
	10	Sat	World Migratory Bird Day	
	11	Sun	Monthly Bird Walk at the SJWS ® 8:00 am	
	16	Fri	GENERAL MEETING7:00 pm	
	18	Sun	Carbon Canyon Reg. Park Bird Walk 8:00 am	
	21	Wed	UNB by pontoon boat ®8:15 am	
	22	Thurs	Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve Bird Walk8:00 am	
	25	Sun	Upper Newport Bay Monthly Bird Walk 8:00 am	