



# The Grebe

**Klamath Basin Audubon Society**

**August/September 2009**

## **KBAS General Meetings**

**Thursday, September 10**  
**Speaker, John Alexander, KBO**  
**7:00 p.m. "State of Our Birds"**

The health of America's habitats, and the health of our region, can be measured by the "state of our birds." This report accounts for the health of our ecosystems, and the ecological services provided by America's habitats. These ecosystem services provide us with the natural resources that fuel our economic development.

Our region's Klamath Bird Observatory (KBO) played a key role in developing this report, applying the successful bird conservation model we developed in the Klamath-Siskiyou Bioregion nationally. Klamath-Siskiyou Bioregion KBO employs research and monitoring techniques and delivers education and outreach programs that advance bird and habitat conservation in southern Oregon and northern California. KBO works to reverse bird population declines by: demonstrating the role birds play as indicators of environmental health; monitoring to identify the cause of population declines;

implementing applied research that identifies conservation opportunities; fostering partnerships to further our results; and, educating and informing the decision makers of today and tomorrow.

John Alexander, Klamath Bird Observatory (KBO) Executive Director, has been working to integrate bird conservation and land management in the Klamath Siskiyou Region for the past 18 years. His focus is on monitoring bird populations as way to measure the effects of land management practices. He serves on numerous committees and networks dedicated to bird science. Before incorporating the KBO, John worked as a Forest Service biologist and as a Research Associate with Southern Oregon University, where he earned his Masters in Science. He has received numerous bird conservation awards, and is currently a PhD student at Prescott College.

General Meetings: El Palacio Restaurant, upstairs room, 601 Main Street, Klamath Falls 7:00 p.m.

**Thursday, October 8**  
**Speaker: Christopher Calonje**  
**7:00 p.m. "Columbia – A Birding Hotspot"**

Christopher Calonje, a Colombian native and Klamath Falls resident for the past 6 years, will talk about the latest opportunity for local birders. He is president of Colombia Birdwatch, a recently formed bird watching tour company that specializes in tours to Colombia. At our October meeting, he will talk about Colombia, its geography, people, food, infrastructure, and most importantly the incredible diversity of birds and habitats that are found within its borders. Chris will discuss great improvements in security in the country and information on the tours that will be available at an incredible introductory discount to local birders.

See the article, "*COLOMBIA: The Only Risk Is Wanting To Stay...and boosting your list*" on page 6. Many photos throughout *The Grebe* are by Chris. See them in color in *The Grebe* online at [www.klamathaudubon.org](http://www.klamathaudubon.org)

## President's Message . . . *Darrel Samuels*

On July 11 we had a well-attended and very productive planning day mapping out the direction for KBAS in the coming year. Specifically, we prioritized our monthly program suggestions and field trip destinations, and we generated and discussed many ideas for educational, community service, and other projects. I continue to be impressed by the energy and expertise of our group; collectively we came up with quite a list of activities that should offer all of us opportunities to learn, grow, and share our passion for nature with the community.

As preparation for our planning, we looked at what we have accomplished in the last year and the list is extensive! I am including it below for two reasons: [1] It shows the strength and diversity of skills of our membership, and [2] It may give some of you ideas for participation in the coming year. My thanks to all who have made Klamath Basin Audubon a strong voice in the community!

### **In 2008-2009 . . .**

**We joined the Chamber of Commerce**

**We repaired and installed nest boxes at Miller Island**

**We planned and installed a Bluebird Trail at Moore Park in partnership with USFWS, City Parks, and Chiloquin High School**

**We participated in the Lower Klamath Centennial celebration—arranged national Audubon proclamation and co-sponsored the evening celebration**

**We strengthened partnerships with City Parks, OSU Extension, and USFWS**

**We helped with IMBD planning & participated at both Veterans' Park & Tule Lake (KBAS field trip leaders)**

**We participated at Earth Day (O.I.T.)**

**We were represented at fall and spring O.A.C. meetings**

**We participated in monthly O.A.C. teleconference calls**  
**We participated in the Christmas Bird Count, NAMC, and Big Sit bird counts**

**We offered a birding class at KCC**

**We participated in Third Thursday**

**We supplied raptor food to Badger Run**

**We volunteer for KBO field trips and classes**

**We sponsored a KBO field trip for Chiloquin Elementary students**

**We awarded \$3000 in grants to local teachers through KBAS/Scott Grants**

**We received 3 grants for the Winter Wings Festival (Klamath County Tourism, National Audubon, and Klamath County Cultural Coalition)**

**We promoted KBAS on local talk radio**

**We produced the highly successful 2009 Winter Wings Festival**

**We invited a H & N reporter on local field trip**

**We presented at the April O.I.T. conference for environmental organizations**

**We instituted the Thursday Birding Bunch field trips**

**We supported the Badger Run fundraiser at the Running Y**

**We contracted for and developed a new KBAS web site**

**We began a KBAS bird calendar project**

**We are represented on the County Advisory Committee for Planning Update**

**We coordinated the Davis birders' visit and provided local leaders**



Photos by Christopher Calonje



## Field Trips Schedule . . . Dave Potter, Chair

**Thursday Birding Bunch:** Julie Van Moorhem and Marilyn Christian invite you to go birding with them every Thursday. Bird enthusiasts of all skill levels are welcome. Generally we leave from the Running Y Sports Center parking lot at 7:10 a.m. to carpool to Veteran's Park to meet others who wish to come directly to Veteran's Park. Leave the Park at 7:30 a.m. This schedule may reverse, depending on the direction we take. Half day, unless we are seeing awesome birds! Sites vary with season and sightings. Contact Julie Van Moorhem [jvanmoo@sisna.com] 882-4488 or Marilyn Christian [mchristian1@charter.net] 850-0084 for meeting place and birding destination for that week.

**Saturday, August 1:** Beginners Bird Walk. Lead by Darrel Samuels starting at the east boat launch [along the lake shore, Moore Park], 8:30 a.m.

**September 19:** Fall Migration Count: The Fall NAMC 2009 will be on the 3rd Saturday in September. It is usually an all day bird counting event. If interested persons want to form a team and cover an area of Klamath County, let me know. It can be as small as your yard, it can cover a park, 5 square miles, a refuge, or more. Let me know who you want to join up with, or who will be in your group, and the area you wish to cover. Within a few days of completing the count, report to Kevin Spencer, the species you encountered and the numbers for each species (so pay attention and

tally the species). Also, keep track of the time spent driving separate from walking. You will need to report the distance driven and distance walked. Standing near or in a parked vehicle is considered "driving". It's a fun count, usually more visual than auditory since the breeding songs have subsided. It's also right when fall colors are peaking. So, let me know if you are a go for the Fall NAMC 2009. Kevin Spencer 541 884-5739 or [rriparia@charter.net](mailto:rriparia@charter.net)

**Saturday, September 26: Name that Shorebird!** Lead by Kevin Spencer. Meet for carpooling at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Office at 8 a.m. or at the entrance to Lower Klamath National Wildlife Refuge [off State Line Highway] at 9 a.m. Bring your lunch/snacks, water, sunscreen.



**Saturday, October 3: Birds of Williamson River Delta Preserve** Lead by Heather Hendrixson, Preserve Manager, The Nature Conservancy, phone 541-273-0789. Carpool at 8 a.m. at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Office. Planned to finish by noon.

**Weekend, October 9 -11: Trip to Oregon Coast Preserves** Lead by Darrel Samuels. This two night trip will visit federal wildlife areas and the 10 Mile Audubon Sanctuary. Darrel reports it is well worth visiting and is a great way to become better acquainted with fellow birders! Further details presented at the September General Meeting or contact Darrel if you are interested [850-5832].

**Saturday, October 24: Beginning Bird Watching in the Moore Park Hills** Lead by Dave Potter. Meet at 9 a.m. at the Moore Park tennis courts for a half day birding hike.

FWS: Fish & Wildlife Office is located at 1936 California Ave., off the on-ramp to Hwy 97 South from Nevada/Oregon Ave. Times stated are START times.

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Rotund, robin-sized, black-and-yellow songbird with black-and-white wings and a triangular yellow beak; females drabber than males; usually seen in flocks. It is #2 on Audubon's list of birds in decline at 78% in the last 40 years. **Habitat:** Breeds primarily in coniferous forests, secondarily in deciduous forests. Unscramble these letters, or turn to Page 8 to learn more.

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## Field Trip Reports

### Tour of the Walking Wetlands, Tulelake and Lower Klamath NWR, April 4 by Dave Hewitt

On April 4th, members of KBAS were treated to some great birding and a guided tour of the Walking Wetlands program on Tule Lake National Wildlife Refuge. Refuge manager Ron Cole provided the group with a wonderful introduction to this unique, innovative program, and then led us through a vast area of land managed as part of the Walking Wetlands. The program cycles agricultural land from crop production to wetlands on a several year cycle, and has generated impressive benefits for both farmers and wildlife. As a result of the program, both the total wetland acreage on the refuge and crop yields have increased, and in some cases farmers' use of fertilizer and pesticides has dropped as well. The program has been particularly beneficial to waterfowl and other migratory birds that depend on wetlands.

The weather during our tour was perfect and we saw a bunch of great birds. At the visitor center before the tour really began, we observed the Great Horned Owl nest in the cliff along Sheepy Ridge and spotted a migrant Ruby-crowned Kinglet in the trees behind the building. In fact, the area around the feeders at the center was quite busy and heralded the beginning of spring migration.

During the tour we observed an impressive 51 species. Waterfowl highlights included massive flocks of Snow, Ross's, and White-fronted Geese (including at least three blue phase Snow Geese), Cinnamon Teal, Canvasback, Ring-necked Duck, a lone Common Goldeneye, and both Western and Clark's Grebes. We also observed good numbers of raptors, including many Bald Eagles (often eating geese), two lingering Rough-legged Hawks, and



Daniel Kilby

Northern Harriers that were perfectly at home cruising over the wetlands. Some shorebirds had begun moving through the area and we spotted Greater Yellowlegs, American Avocet, and a group of hundreds of Dunlin. Remaining highlights included two Loggerhead Shrikes along Hill Road, good numbers of American White Pelicans throughout the area, and oodles of noisy and cooperative Marsh Wrens.

A number of participants also spotted some noteworthy birds before and after the tour, including Sandhill Cranes along Lower Klamath Lake Road, a singing Sage Thrasher along Stateline Road, Wilson's Snipe at the Discovery Marsh Trail, Long-billed Curlews along Dorris Brownell Road, and Black-necked Stilts at White Lake.

Reports for the different areas were submitted to and archived with eBird (<http://ebird.org/Klamath-Siskiyou>).

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### Birding the Wood River Wetlands, May 23 by Kevin Spencer

A trip this morning, to Wood River Wetlands at the north end of Agency Lake, saw a total of roughly 70 species, including California Towhee, (2) and Green Heron, at the USF&WS office on

California St. , and along the way, a Golden Eagle along Hwy 97 near Algoma Rd.

At Wood River Wetlands highlights included: Franklin's Gull, at least 7-8, Black-capped Chickadee, 3, Willow Flycatcher, 4-5, Western Wood Peewee, Warbling Vireo, Virginia Rail, Wood Duck,

Canvasback, Blue-winged Teal, Ring-necked Duck, Osprey, Yellow-headed Blackbird, Sandhill Crane (heard), Wilson's Phalarope, and Red-breasted Sapsucker.

At Henzel Park, at the south end of Agency Lake: Eared and Horned Grebe [Continued Page 5]

Let's go with "thumbs up" and "thumbs down" like the newspaper. Good conservation actions happen ... greatly helped along by citizens expressing their desires and concerns....Keep on keeping on them!



**Thumbs-Up:** First ever marine sanctuaries designated by Oregon. A great first step. They will serve as demonstration, trial areas [which are not actually needed since marine sanctuaries have increased fish populations elsewhere.]



**Thumbs-Down:** Oregon legislature failed to update our highly successful and long running bottle bill. I think its time to extend it to more beverage containers and increase the deposit.



**Thumbs-Up:** First ever climate bill passed the U.S. House of Representatives. Senate action next. Experts: Too weak; too strong. At least its a start.



**Thumbs-Up:** Comments from a planning meeting indicate the City fully supports walking and biking paths. This includes, long term, extending the O,C&E over the tracks to the Lake Ewauna Trail.



**Thumbs-Up:** Planning underway by OIT students with City Parks for the Lake Ewauna Trail around the east and north side. Mr. Jim Carpenter of the Portal Project said they hope to connect the Portal Project to the Wing Watchers Trail [and Ewauna Trail?]



**Thumbs-Up:** Recent volunteer work days at Moore Park and the Wing Watchers Trail. Not sure of the accomplishments but its a great community effort.



**Thumbs-Up:** A KBAS member has the dream and is investigating feasibility for bike-walk path from the Running Y to Lakeshore Drive. Want to help?



**Thumbs-Down:** Efforts to continue clear-cut logging in Alaska's Tongass National Forest and oil drilling offshore. [Tongass logging runs at a loss to the U.S. taxpayer, a money losing deal.] Also continued aerial gunning of wolves in Alaska.



**Thumbs-Up:** Alaska's new governor who may consider both sides of issues.



**Thumbs-Up:** Increasing bicycling and walking use of the wonderful paths.



**Thumbs-Up:** State Parks' efforts to patch wide cracks in the O,C&E Trail asphalt - after at least two citizen's e mails requesting repairs.



**Thumbs-Up:** Thanks to adverse messages and blog entries, the Hilton Hotel on Hawaii's Big Island dropped shark fin soup from its menu.

## **Field Trip Reports [Wood River Wetlands]... Continued**

At Hagelstein Park, along Hwy 97: Lazuli Bunting, Purple Finch, Black-crowned Night Heron.

A possible to probable MAGNOLIA WARBLER was seen very briefly, by only me, near the spring at Hagelstein. In the brief moment I viewed this bird I saw an all yellow breast of a warbler. It had black streaks up the breast to its upper breast, including the central area of the breast, and its streaks were largest in the central and upper

part of the breast. The streaks came together and terminated at the upper part of the breast where there was an all black area of the upper breast in the center part of the breast. The throat was yellow and not black nor streaked black. I did not see the head, which may have been due to foliage blocking the head, or that it was preening as it may have come up from below after water bathing, or that the view was so brief. I have ruled

out Townsend's Warbler as the streaks were not just on the flanks, and the lower breast was not white. Its throat was not black. I have ruled out Cape May Warbler as the streaks were broader and the streaks did not continue into throat area. However, the view was so brief I can't be positive about what it was.

Approximately 16 people attended

## COLUMBIA: The Only Risk is Wanting to Stay . . . and boosting your list! By Christopher Calonje



Colombia boasts the world's longest list of birds, now over 1875 species, which is more than North America and Europe combined, and 19% of the world's species in 1% of the landmass. Much of this diversity is due to Colombia's complex topography, which includes three Andean ranges and the valleys between them. Colombia makes up a large portion of the Amazon Basin, and is also the only country in South America that lies on both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

Bird watching in Colombia is on the rise due to diversity and endemism, and also due to drastic improvements in security. Colombia is safe again, some bird experts considering it safer than other Latin American birding spots such as Peru and Brazil. The government of President Alvaro Uribe has made great strides in bringing back peace and prosperity to the country. This avian paradise is once again accessible to birdwatchers, as Colombians are eager and excited to show tourists the time of their lives.



recently created Colombia Birdwatch to promote responsible social and environmental ecotourism in Colombia and to provide the opportunity of a lifetime to birding enthusiasts. More than a tour, Colombia Birdwatch aims to offer an experience where participants will learn about conservation efforts at numerous reserves, and what locals are doing to promote bird watching in this clean, friendly and modern country.

Please come join me at the Audubon Society's October 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, where I will be giving a presentation on the

world's number one birding hotspot. Colombia, the only risk is wanting to stay.....and boosting your list.



Photos by Christopher Calonje

### Treasurer's Report by Paul Alley

Audubon Checking Acct:	\$5,119
Scott Fund CD:	\$23,323
General-Purpose CD:	\$25,310
PAX Fund Balance:	\$3,954

[Data as of June 30, 2009] Changes since last report  
[*The Grebe* April-May 2009]:

[1] Checking account balance has decreased by approximately \$1000 in spite of modest income [approximately \$1200] primarily from birding guide, plush bird, and related sales. Major expenses included web site redesign fees, conference attendance, postage and printing costs, and educational expenses.  
[2] General-Purpose CD has increased due to a transfer of funds from Winter Wings Festival account.  
[3] PAX Fund Balance has made a modest recovery from its low point, but still represents a net investment loss.  
NOTE: This report excludes approximately \$6000 in funds retained in the Winter Wings Festival account committed to the 2010 event.

### Klamath Basin Birding News [KBBN]

Reminder: For some time now, Klamath Basin Bird News has been maintained as an informal email network (a mailing list) of about 50 bird enthusiasts in the Basin. Contact Dave Hewitt [dhewitt37@gmail.com](mailto:dhewitt37@gmail.com) to sign up so you can know what birds are being seen and where to find them!

## KBAS Planning Retreat, July 11

On this well attended day, we prioritized our monthly program suggestions and field trip destinations, and we generated and discussed many ideas for education, community service, and other projects. This sets KBAS on course for a productive year. Recommendations are summarized below.

### PROGRAMS by Kevin Spencer

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During a July KBAS planning



meeting our next year's program topics were selected. Of the more than twenty ideas

that were generated, the following had the greatest interest and will hopefully fill our program slate for the meetings this next season. Programs for September and October will be: "The State of the Birds", presented by John Alexander of Klamath Bird Observatory, and "Birds of Columbia", by Chris Calogne. The other high interest programs that could fill the remaining meetings are: The Sycan Marsh by The Nature Conservancy; Birding by Ear; The Wood River Wetlands by the BLM; Oregon Owls, Ken Jesson from Summit, Greenland NOAA-NSF's climate research station; Noah Stryker: a young Oregon birder speaking about one of his trips; a speaker or panel that addresses the Klamath Restoration; and The Williamson River Delta by The Nature Conservancy.

### FIELD TRIP PLANS by Dave

Potter [kpottermom@yahoo.com](mailto:kpottermom@yahoo.com)

Our July 11 KBAS 2009-2010 planning day yielded a full page of field trip ideas and placed them in

preference order. They're mostly day trips but also some over-nighters. To the degree that leaders appear and details work out, the following trips are "in the hopper:" Klamath Marsh NWR yellow rails; TNC's Sycan Marsh Preserve; Birding by Ear with Kevin Spencer; Nuess Pond for Beginners; Sage Grouse Dancing at Dawn [overnight trip]; Butte Valley Wildlife Area near Mcdoel, CA; Walking Wetlands of Tule Lake NWR; Moore Park and Miller Island Bird Box Inspections; Christmas Bird Count; International Migratory Bird Days - Tule Lake and Klamath Falls; Thursday Birding Bunch; Flying T Salers Ranch; and Winter Wings Hotspots.

Other favorite spots? E mail me the trip and the leader. We'll do our dangdest to work them in or save them for next year.

### MEMBERSHIP by Mary Ellen

Sargent [sargentme5@aol.com](mailto:sargentme5@aol.com)

The planning committee considered how to increase membership in the under 50 age category. We may conduct a contest among members to see how many each member can invite to either a meeting or a field trip. Other ideas included starting the meeting earlier and shorten the general meeting so younger persons, in middle, high school or college, can attend. Other Audubons are going to Facebook

and other electronic communications. We will send the Grebe to those from 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday contacts for 3 times and send complimentary copies to local biology and science teachers and professors and perhaps certain youth group leaders.

### PUBLICITY by Mary Ellen

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The committee agreed that we will continue to place articles and news in the Herald & News, trying to increase the number of articles and having topics such as a monthly birding hotspot, species or general interest topic. We will attempt to have complimentary spots on the local radio stations for meetings, field trips and birding in general. We will create a tri-fold on KBAS for the tourism office and the Chamber of Commerce as well as to hand out at all our events. We may try to increase our presence at such community affairs as the Klamath and Tulelake fairs, Merrill Potato festival, etc. We may start a White Goose Day at Miller Island with scopes and binoculars available to the public to view the spectacle. Klamath Refuges would like KBAS to help with their Artist-in-Residence program (being planned). The display booth needs to be updated to look more professional.



## KBAS Planning Retreat, July 11 . . . Continued

### PROJECTS/COMMUNITY

OUTREACH Mary Ellen Sargent  
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Attending members voted to support the Klamath Outdoor Science School with volunteering for demonstrations, etc. Also voted for was the creation of a grant review committee to field requests from local and other groups that may wish to obtain funds from the KBAS to promote their projects. This is separate from the Scott grant committee (see education). 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday will continue to be a project, as well as projects in coordination with the city, OSU, and U.S. FWS. These generally are habitat restoration/

enhancement projects or bird surveys needing volunteers. Similarly, the group voted to support and volunteer on Important Bird Area projects (primarily bird and habitat surveys) advocated by Portland Audubon. Winter Wings will continue to be the primary fund raiser and needs many volunteers.

### EDUCATION

by Kathy McKeehan



Tulelake NWR; establishing a

Projects that will be the main focus this year: Outdoor School co-sponsorship with

youth birding group; working with schools for Senior projects; Eagle Scout projects; Boy/Cub scout, Girl scouts and Campfire badges/grades; children's Learning Fair; hosting a family birding field trip.

Some of the other ideas were: continuing Ralph the Eagle; H & N education spot; Rare bird announcements (radio); Bird banning for H.S. biology classes; Birding with KBO; cost sharing opportunities with school on bird related projects; Pond ecology; birding with YMCA; sell elementary school coloring books; provide Audubon magazines to selected classrooms.

## KBAS Meeting Dates 2009/2010

General meetings are the second Thursday and Board meetings, the first Wednesday of the month. Both are at El Palacio Restaurant, 601 Main Street, Klamath Falls. All members are welcome to attend Board meetings.

General Meetings	Board Meetings 2009/10
2009/10	
September 10	September 2
October 8	October 7
November 12	November 4
December 10	December 2
January 14	January 6
February 11	February 3
March 11	March 3
April 8	April 7
May 13	May 5

## Status of KBAS Website Re-design

KBAS website is in final stages of re-design. We believe it will be ready by early September. Check it out at [www.klamathaudubon.org](http://www.klamathaudubon.org),

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## Evening Grosbeak

*(Coccothraustes vespertinus)*

Photo by Dave Menke



**Range:** Mountains of the western United States and Canada; boreal forest of Canada and northern edge of the United States east to Nova Scotia.

**Feeding:** Feeds on invertebrates, especially spruce budworm larvae, and small fruits and seeds,

particularly from maple trees. In the non-breeding season, it feeds on both coniferous and deciduous tree seeds and buds; is a common visitor to birdfeeders with sunflower seeds.

**Reproduction:** Breeding is very secretive, and there is no song or showy display during courtship. As is common with birds breeding at high altitudes, the Evening Grosbeak usually only lays one brood of 2-5 eggs per year due to the short nesting period. Although nests are sparse and appear rather fragile, they are surprisingly strong and can last several years.

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- KBAS general meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of every month except June, July and August at the Klamath County Courthouse, Lower Level Meeting Room, 316 Main Street, Klamath Falls, OR.
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### KBAS MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL APPLICATION

#### Local Membership Dues

- Individual: \$20  
 Student and Seniors (62 and over): \$15  
 Family: \$25  
 Here is my tax deductible extra contribution for \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Check here if you are a current member of national Audubon  
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Klamath Basin Audubon Society - **Chapter Code C9ZT600Z**

**Should you join as a first time member of National Audubon, please use the above Chapter Code on your form – we receive additional \$\$.**

#### Please contact me regarding:

- Gift memberships  
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Make your check payable to KBAS and mail with this form to: KBAS, P.O. 354, Klamath Falls, OR. 97601



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## Oregon Shorebird Festival August 28-30, 2009

Do consider attending this Festival held each year in Charleston, OR at the Oregon Institute of Marine Biology. There are evening programs, pelagic trips, and land field trips. It is a fun weekend! This year it is held in conjunction with the Oregon Field Ornithologists annual meeting, as well.

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