

Kite Tales

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Pectoral Sandpiper at Ellis Creek by Ron Storey

RROS General Meeting
October 11, 2012 at 7 p.m.
at Laguna Wastewater Treatment Facility,
4300 Llano Road, Santa Rosa

"Birds of Climate-Change Concern" Tom Gardali, PRBO

Scientists from PRBO and the California Department of Fish and Game have completed a study to determine which bird species are most vulnerable to climate change. Wetland birds face the greatest threats owing to rising sea levels and changes in precipitation. Ocean birds that nest on islands and rocky shores are also at risk. The lead author of the study, Tom Gardali of PRBO, will present the findings, and explain how this information will be used to set conservation priorities

Save the Date

General Meeting for Thursday, November 8th, 2012 at 7 p.m. "All About Owls"

Joe Mueller, Professor of Biology, Natural History Program, College of Marin.

<u>Directions to the monthly meeting</u>: From Hwy 101 take Hwy 116 West toward Sebastopol. Turn right (north) on Llano Rd. and go ~ 1 mile to **Laguna Wastewater**Treatment Plant at 4300 Llano Rd, Santa Rosa. Look for an open gate on right. Proceed to Administration Bldg. at SE corner of the plant. From Hwy. 12, take Llano Rd. south about 3 miles. Plant is on left.

Dinner Before the monthly meeting: Join some of us at 5:30 p.m. at the Star Restaurant, 8501 Gravenstein Hwy, Cotati (west of Hwy 101, at exit for Hwy 116 West)

FIELD TRIPS – Autumn 2012

Sunday, October 7, 2012 - Pelagic Trip

There are only a few slots still left available to us for this one. This trip will depart from Porto Bodega aboard the *New Sea Angler* and visit Bodega Canyon and Cordell Banks in Sonoma and Marin County waters. This trip is in partnership with the Environmental Action Committee of West Marin; leaders will be Dan Singer and Lisa Hug. To join, send a check for \$140.00 made out to our treasurer "Don Howard" and mailed to: Peter Colasanti, 524 East D Street, Petaluma, CA 94952-3212. Those received after we've reached our maximum will be wait-listed if the sender wishes so. Questions? Contact Peter at 763-2450.

Participants will receive information regarding keeping comfortable and safe during such a venture in a timely manner.

Raptor Counts at Jenner Headlands Overlook

Raptor counts will be held the throughout September and into October. They will take place 4-6 times on weekends and 4-6 times on weekdays from 10 a.m. to either 2 or 4 p.m. Scheduled counts will proceed regardless of weather. Larry Broderick will provide on the spot training for participants. Spotters, counters and identification specialists are needed.

To volunteer or get further information, contact Larry Broderick by email at northcoastraptor@gmail.com or by phone at West County Hawk Watch at (707)975-7047.

Breeding Bird Atlas - Sonoma County BBA Year Three

Calling all BBA volunteers. There are blocks that still need volunteers. If you are available this next season, you can email Veronica at vlbowers@gmail.com

Central Valley Bird Symposium

On November 15th-18th, 2012, the Central Valley Bird Club will be hosting the 16th Annual Central Valley Birding Symposium at the Stockton Hilton Hotel, in Stockton, CA.

Events begin Thursday night and continue throughout the weekend. For more detailed information, see your September RROS newsletter and look over the line-up of speakers, workshops, and field trips on their website at: www.cvbs.org

Observations: Aug. 21, 2012-Sept. 18, 2012

Compiled by David A. Hofmann

Bird Species	Date	Location	Co.	#	Observer	<u>Notes</u>
Leach's Storm-petrel		Cordell Bk/Bodega Cyn	MRN/SON	1	EuH, JoD, mob	
Black Storm-petrel		Cordell Bk/Bodega Cyn	MRN/SON	2	EuH, JoD, mob	
	3/19-9/12/12	SE Farralone Island	SFO	1	DaW, RAR, mol	b
American Bittern	9/05/12	Tolay Regional Park	SON	1	PBC, EuH, mob)
American Bittern	9/06/12 F	Pt.Reyes/Abbott's Lagoor	n MRN	3	JeM	
American Bittern	9/14/12	Spring Lake Reg. Pa		1	RoS	
Least Bittern	8/26/12	Ellis Crk Ponds	SON	1	RoS	
White-tailed Kite	9/13/12	east side Petaluma	SON	23+	DaB	large roost
Swainson's Hawk	8/25/12	Hwy 121/Sear Pt	SON	1	DoM	
Ferruginous Hawk	9/17/12	Pt.Řeyes/Lighthouse	MRN	1 juv.	De&DavH, CaA	i
Pacific Golden-Plover		Pt.Reyes/Limantour Bch	MRN	1 juv.	JeM	
Pacific Golden-Plover	9/16/12	Shollenberger Park	SON	1 B	oP, BrM, EIG co	nt'd from Aug
Lesser Yellowlegs	8/20/12 F	PetVily Ford Hwy pond	SON	1	EuH	
Solitary Sandpiper	8/31/12	Nicasio Reservoir	MRN	1	DaS	
Black Turnstone	9/09/12	Napa River tidal bas	in NAP	1		t county record
Wandering Tattler 8/	24-9/5/12	Bodega Head State	Pk SON	1	DaE, CoT, RAR	
Red Knot	8/20-21/12	2 Doran Regional Park	SON	1-2	EuH, RAR, BDF	
Red Knot	9/03-07/12	2 Bodega Harbor/Spud F	Pt. SON	1-4	EuH, BDP, DAF	ł, mob
Semipalmtd Sandpipr	9/03/12	Nicasio Reservoir	MRN	1	RiS	
Baird's Sandpiper	8/20/12	PetVIIy Ford Hwy pond	SON	2	EuH	
Baird's Sandpiper	8/24/12	Doran Regional Park	SON	1	RiS, mob	
Baird's Sandpiper	9/06/12	Shollenberger Park	SON	2	RAR	
Buff-brsted Sandpipr	9/06-7/12	Pt.Reyes/Abbott's Lagoo	n MRN	1	JiW, JeM, EuH	
Wilson's Snipe	8/28/12	Hwy 1 X Salmon Crk	SON	1	DAH, BDP	early date
South Polar Skua	9/02/12	Cordell Bk/Bodega Cyn	MRN/SON	1	RiS, BDP, mob	
Long-tailed Jaeger	9/02/12	Cordell Bk/Bodega Cyn	MRN/SON	1	RiS, BDP, mob	
Parasitic Jaeger	8/24/12 F	Pt.Reyes/Limantour Bch	MRN	2	JeM	
Parasitic Jaeger	9/01-07/12	2 Bodega Head State		2	KeW, mob	
Sabine's Gull	9/16-18/12		NAP	1 juv.	AIM, DoM, ROD)
Marbled Murrelet	8/25/12	Bodega Head State		1 imm	CoT	
Marbled Murrelet	8/27/12	Bodega Head State		2 ad	BDP, DAH, Mal	
Scripp's Murrelet	8/22/12	Bodega Canyon	SON	2	EuH, JoD, mob	
Tufted Puffin		Cordell Bk/Bodega Cyn	SON	2	RiS, BDP, mob	=
Tufted Puffin		Cordell Bk/Bodega Cyn	MRN/SON	1 ad	RiS, BDP, mob	
Band-tailed Pigeon	8/22/12	SE Santa Rosa feed		7	GIW	PovH
White-winged Dove	9/17/12	Pt.Reyes/Drake's Bo		1	EmS, DeF, De8	хDavп
Rufous Hummingbird	8/24/12	Diekman's Store	SON	6 2	RiS, mob DAH, RAR	
Rufous Hummingbird		Bodega Hd/Campbell Co Pt.Reyes/Nunes Rai		1	RiS, DEN, KrD,	moh
Yellow-bellied Flyctch		•		1		łeK, RiM, DAH,
Yellow-bellied Flyctch	SaC CaT E	Spring Lake Reg. Pa RAR, BDP, DaK, JoL, Lil				
Eastern Kinghird	9/18/12	Clear Lake State Pa		1	JeT	inty rootiu
Eastern Kingbird Rock Wren	9/10/12	Goat Rock State Pa		1	EuH	
Tennessee Warbler	9/15-17/12			1	JeM, DeF, mob	1
Chestnut-sidd Warblr	9/12/12	Spud Pt. Marina p-lo		1	ScC, EuH	
Chestnut-sidd Warblr	9/12-17/1	'		1	DeF, MaB	
Chestnut-sidd Warblr	9/12-16/1	·		1		I, EvC, CoT, AdD
Chestnut-sidd Warblr	9/12-17/1	-		1-2	DeF, MaB	
Blk-thrtd Blue Warblr	9/14/12	Pt.Reyes/Nunez Ra		1 m	JeM, EvC	- Vonadamente Co
Hermit Warbler	8/26/12	Occidental Ridge	SON	1	MiH	
Blackburnian Warblr	9/14-16/1		nch MRN	1 f	StH, JuS, mob	
Prairie Warbler 9/05	5-06/12 Bod	ega Head/Owl Canyon	SON	1 5	ScC,DeF,PBC,DA	\H,DoR,DaN,EuH
Blackpoll Warbler	9/12-17/1		nch MRN	1-4	DeF, MaB, JeN	1, EvC, CoT
Blackpoll Warbler	9/12/12	Pt.Reyes/Lighthouse	e MRN	1	DeF, MaB	
Blackpoll Warbler	9/14/12	Lagoon Valley Park	SOL	1	MuB, mob	
Blackpoll Warbler	9/15/12	Spring Lake Reg. Pa		1	RAR	
Blackpoll Warbler	9/15/12	Pt.Reyes/Fish Dock		1	CoT, EvC, AdD)
Blk-and-Wht Warbler	9/06/12	Pt.Reyes/Fish Dock		1	DeF	INCOST S
Blk-and-Wht Warbler	9/16-17/12	Spring Lake Reg. Page 1988	ark SON	1	JiL, ShL, BiD, H	iek, Col, mob

American Redstart American Redstart	9/03-06/12 9/12/12	Bodega Hd/Campbell Cove Pt.Reyes/Lighthouse	SON MRN	1 m 1 m	ScT, LiT, DaN first year male BiL, DeF, MarkB
American Redstart		Pt.Reyes/Mendoza Ranch	MRN	1 f	DeF, MarkB
American Redstart	9/17/12	Pt.Reyes/RCA bldgs	MRN	1 f	De&DavH
Northern Waterthrush	9/01/12	Bolinas/Pine Gulch Crk	MRN	1	RyD
Northern Waterthrush	9/07/12	Bodega Hd/Campbell Cove	SON	1	LiV, MuB, mob
MacGillivray's Wrblr	9/04-08/12	Bodega Head/Owl Canyon	SON	1-3	RAR, ToB, DaN, ROD
MacGillivray's Wrblr	9/16-17/1	2 Spring Lake Reg. Park	SON	1	JiL, ShL, BiD, HeK CoT, mob
Green-tailed Towhee	9/12/12	Pt.Reyes/Lighthouse	MRN	1	MaB
Clay-colored Sparrow	9/07-13/1	2 Bodega Hd/Campbell Cove	SON	1	DaN, DAH, MuB, PBC, mob
Brewer's Sparrow	9/06/12	Pt.Reyes/Lighthouse	MRN	1	RiS
Lark Bunting	9/12/12	Pt.Reyes/Lighthouse	MRN	1	BiL
Lark Bunting	9/12/12	Pt.Reyes/Mendoza Ranch	MRN	1 m	DeF, MaB
Indigo Bunting	8/27/12	Bolinas	MRN	1 m	RyD
Orchard Oriole	9/05-10/12	Bodega Hd/Campbell Cove	SON	1	DaN, DAH, RAR, EuH, ROD, mob

Observers for this period: Carlo Arreglo, Margaret Barson, Dave Barry, Toni Beelard, Murray Berner, Mark Butler, Scott Carey, Everett Clark, Peter B. Colasanti, Ryan DiGaudio, Adam Donkin, Bill Doyle, Kris Dunlap, Jon Dunn, Daniel Edelstein, Dea Freid, Eli Gross, Denise & David Hamilton, Mike Heffernon, David A. Hofmann, Steve Howell, Lisa Hug, Eugene Hunn, Dan Kirker, Helen Kochenderfer, Rick LeBaudour, Bill Lenarz, Jim Lomax, Sherry Lomax, John Luther, Bruce Mast, Richard Merriss, Alex Merritt, Dominik Mosur, Dan Nelson, David W. Nelson, Rob O'Donnell, Benjamin D. Parmeter, Bob Power, Don Reinberg, Ruth Ann Rudesill, Judi Sierra, Dan Singer, Richard Stallcup, Ron Storey, Colin Talcroft, Linda Terrill, Scott Terrill, Jerry Ting, Link VanCleeve, Glo Wellman, Alan Wight, Ken Wilson, Jim White, David Wimpfheimer

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Gratitude to members for recent donations:
William Doyle and Robert & Anne O'Donnell!

Come and get them!!

RROS Ball cap - Imagine wearing our great RROS logo (see mailing label) on a gray cap while you are out birding. You can purchase one at the next General meeting for \$15.00 for members and \$18.00 for non-members.

Our new publication - **BIRDS OF SONOMA COUNTY CALIFORNIA UPDATED 2000-2010** by Benjamin D. Parmeter and Alan N. Wight is now available. 24 first Sonoma County Records 2000-2010 and updates on most of the 438 species on the county list. Cost \$12. Pick up your copy at the next meeting.

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New Kite Tales Editor

A major gratitude shout out to Bill Doyle (yes, he is also our club president) who is willing to be our new Kite Tales Editor beginning with our November issue. I have enjoyed being your editor for these last two and then some years. Thanks to all who have sent in copy and been supportive along the way. We are a great organization!!!

Receive KT via email and get color photos and help us reduce our costs. Contact Don Howard for more information.

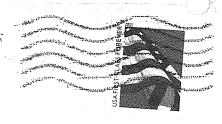
Redwood Region Ornithological Society (www.rros.org) was organized in 1962 "to encourage the study and conservation of birds, other wildlife, and their natural habitat." Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month September through May, at 7:00 pm at the Laguna Waste Water Treatment Plant, 4300 Llano Road, Santa Rosa California, unless otherwise announced. Dues are \$20 per family, \$15 per individual or \$5 per student for a one-year membership. Send dues to RROS Treas. Don Howard, 979 Hogwarts Circle, Petaluma CA 94954.

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<u>Kite Tales Deadlines</u>: Submit observations to David Hofmann, all other items to Bill Doyle by the 20th of the month.



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