University League Birdwatchers' Schedule 2023-2024

Meet at 9:00 AM each Friday at Covenant Presbyterian Church at the corner of Mineral Point and Segoe. Everyone is requested to:

- Stay at home if you have any Covid symptoms or test positive for Covid. Masks welcomed.
- Carpooling is optional for those who are vaccinated.
- Walk behind the leader. Don't slam car doors. Try to stay together.
- Contribute gas money to the driver on out-of-town trips.
- For questions or if you plan to meet the group, text Jill at the number below.

The schedule is subject to change.

2023

Sept. 1 Frautschi Point (2662 Lake Mendota Drive)

Sept. 8 Pheasant Branch (Park Lawn entrance)

Sept. 15 Bird Flight (all day) See reverse for details.

Sept. 22 Nine Springs (1949 Moorland Rd, Madison)

Sept. 29 Orchid Heights Park (3960 Valley Ridge Rd, Middleton)

Oct. 6 Holy Wisdom Monastery (4200 County M, Middleton, left at the fork)

Oct. 13 Eagle Heights Gardens (the east-west section of Eagle Heights Rd. by 'Garden' parking signs)

Oct. 20 Owen Park (6021 Old Sauk Rd, Madison)

Oct. 27 Indian Lake (183 WI-19, Cross Plains)

Nov. 3 UW Arboretum (Visitor Center)

Nov. 10 Goose Pond (Goose Pond Rd, Arlington)

Nov. 17 Picnic Point/University Bay (1918 Marsh lot)

2024

Jan. 19 Sauk City (eagles)-municipal parking lot on Water St. in Prairie du Sac [snow date Jan. 26]

Feb. 9 @ 9:30 Birds of Panama [presentation by Jill] location TBA

Feb. 23 @ 9:30 Birds and Wildlife of the Galapagos [presentation by Pam] location TBA

Mar. 15 Lower Yahara River Bike Trail from McDaniel Park (4806 McDaniel Lane, McFarland)

Mar. 22 Goose Pond (Goose Pond Rd, Arlington)

March 29 Picnic Point (1918 Marsh lot)

April 5 Lake Farm Park (4330 Libby Rd, Madison)

April 12 Tiedeman Pond (7312 Voss Parkway) and Strickers Pond (7605 Voss Parkway)

April 19 Horicon Marsh (all-day)

April 26 Nine Springs (1949 Moorland Rd, Madison)

May 3 Frautschi Point (2662 Lake Mendota Drive)

May 10 Pheasant Branch (Park Lawn entrance)

May 17 Governors Island (1 Governors Island Pkwy, Madison)

May 24 Owen Park (6021 Old Sauk Rd, Madison)

May 31 Pleasant Valley Conservancy (4609 Pleasant Valley Rd, Black Earth) (until mid-day)

June 7 Governor Dodge State Park (all-day)

Co-leaders: Jill Feldkamp 608 692 0450 Roma Lenehan 608 238 5406

Bird Flight

No, we aren't going to learn how birds fly. Instead, we will have a bird flight, like a wine flight. If you don't know, a wine flight "is a fancy phrase for a selection of wines. It's usually between three to six wines that have something in common." In the spring, several of you requested an all-day trip option for the fall. That is what this bird flight will be: a selection of excellent birding spots in Madison. Instead of leaving town, we will bird several of our favorite places with dining options interspersed. You could join us for just the morning or just the afternoon, any or all of the day. Here's what the day will look like

7-9 Bird Owen Park-Meet there, not at the church. We will not carpool today since people can come and go as they want.

9-10 Coffee at Prairie Cafe and Bakery

10-12 Bird Pheasant Branch Creek Corridor

12-1:30 Lunch at Lupe's Taqueria on Frank Lloyd Wright in Middleton

1:30-3 Bird at Dunn's Marsh

3 Ice Cream at Chocolate Shoppe on Monroe

Times, of course, are approximate. Text or call Jill (608-692-0450) for live updates.

