

University League Birdwatchers' Schedule 2024-25

Meet at 9:00 AM each Friday in the southwest corner of the parking lot of Covenant Presbyterian Church located at the corner of Mineral Point and Segoe.

- **Stay Healthy:** Stay at home if you are ill or have Covid symptoms or test positive for Covid. Masks welcomed.
- **Get a ride:** Carpooling is optional for those who are vaccinated.
- **Be courteous:** Walk behind the leader. Don't slam car doors. Try to stay together. Talk quietly.
- **Be Generous:** Contribute gas money to the driver on out-of-town trips.

The schedule is subject to change.

If you plan to meet at the birding location, text Jill at the number below in case the location has changed.

2024

Aug. 30 Frautschi Point (2662 Lake Mendota Drive)

Sept. 6 Pheasant Branch (Park Lawn entrance)

Sept. 13 UW Arboretum (Visitor Center)

Sept. 20 **Bird Flight (all day) See below for details.**

Sept. 27 Nine Springs (1949 Moorland Rd, Madison)

Oct. 4 Holy Wisdom Monastery (4200 County M, Middleton, left at the fork)

Oct. 11 Eagle Heights Gardens (the east-west section of Eagle Heights Rd. by 'Garden' parking signs)

Oct. 18 Indian Lake (183 WI-19, Cross Plains)

Oct. 25 Owen Park (6021 Old Sauk Rd, Madison)

Nov. 1 UW Arboretum (Visitor Center)

Nov. 8 Goose Pond (Goose Pond Rd, Arlington)

Nov. 15 Picnic Point/University Bay (1918 Marsh lot)

2025

Jan. 24 Sauk City (eagles)-municipal parking lot on Water St. in Prairie du Sac [snow date Jan. 31]

Feb. 7 @ 9:30 A Trip to Costa Rica [presentation by Linda and Bob] location TBA

Feb. 21 @ 9:30 Learning Sparrows [presentation by Jill] location TBA

Mar. 14 Lower Yahara River Bike Trail from McDaniel Park (4806 McDaniel Lane, McFarland)

Mar. 21 Goose Pond (Goose Pond Rd, Arlington)

March 28 Picnic Point (1918 Marsh lot)

April 4 Lake Farm Park (4330 Libby Rd, Madison)

April 11 Tiedeman Pond (7312 Voss Parkway) and Strickers Pond (7605 Voss Parkway)

April 18 Walking Iron (6064 Beckman Road, Mazomanie)

April 25 Nine Springs (1949 Moorland Rd, Madison)

May 2 Frautschi Point (2662 Lake Mendota Drive)
May 9 Pheasant Branch (Park Lawn entrance)
May 16 Governors Island (1 Governors Island Pkwy, Madison)
May 23 Erstad Prairie (N1736 Harvey Rd. Arlington)
May 30 Pleasant Valley Conservancy (4609 Pleasant Valley Rd, Black Earth) (**until mid-day**)
June 6 Badger Lands (former Badger Ammunition) (S7560 US Highway 12, North Freedom, WI) and Devil's Lake State Park (**all-day**)
June 13 Pheasant Branch Prairie Parcel (Pheasant Branch Rd. 4th lot as you drive north)

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Bird Flight

Since people enjoyed this last year, we are doing another 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." This is 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 Picnic Point

12-1:30 Lunch at Panera on University

1:30-3 Nine Springs

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

