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Taking a Break (Among Other Things)

By George Barnett



Another summer has arrived in El Paso as have the hummingbirds, kingbirds, nighthawks and the others who will keep us company through the next few months. We'll be taking a break from general meetings for the summer, and this is a good time to take advantage of some leisure time.

Many of us will be taking a vacation during the summer. Hopefully, the monsoon will arrive on time so we can take a break from the heat and the drought. Summer is always a good time to take a hike. Bob Johnson has (as always) put together some excellent warm wether field trips for us. There is always the chance that you will see something on one of the trips that will take your breath away.

Be sure to take precautions, and not just from the sun and heat. If you keep a bird bath be sure that the water is clean and changed frequently so you can avoid taking responsibility for raising a swarm of mosquitoes. The same goes for the feeders in your yard: clean them regularly. The sugar-water solution in your hummingbird feeder is good for the birds, but molds and bacteria also find it attractive, which may not be so good for the little guys who come to feed. In other parts of the country an eye disease is spreading among some birds, especially house finches. One suspicion is that it is spread where birds congregate, including feeders.

If summer is the time to take it easy, you may want to sit back and visit your chapter's site on the World Wide Web (<http://rgfn.epcc.edu/users/ac968/eptpas.html>) Many more links have been added to take you to other birding sites in the region and the world.

Best of all (and your editor's favorite warm weather sport), summer is a good time to just take a nap. Have a happy and safe summer, and we'll see you in September.

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The Decline of Neotropical Migrants

The following three articles address the continuing problem of the decline of Neotropical migratory birds. The first two articles ("Silent Spring" and "Grounding Comparison") were posted on the audubon-texas listserv and are reprinted here with the permission of the author. They demonstrate first hand perceptions of the stunning decline of spring migrants. The third article, entitled "Bringing Back the Birds", is a description of a strategy to reverse this decline. This article appeared coincidentally just a few days after the first two were posted.

Silent Spring

By Ted Eubanks

May 1, 1996 - A strong cold front rushed through Texas Sunday night. Given the time of year (the peak of spring migration), most birders with any flexibility in their work schedule would have taken a sick day and made a beeline for the coast. The north winds and accompanying rains represent a formidable barrier to trans-Gulf migrant birds. As they approach the coast, they often are grounded by the weather conditions and pitch into the isolated woodlots such as High Island. The "fall-outs" are breathtaking events, with thousands upon thousands of migrants occupying every bush and twig. Or at least that is what we used to expect.

My friend Jim Morgan sped to the coast yesterday to see what the winds had delayed. As has been the case so often in the 1990s, he found little in the way of migrant activity. The weather conditions that once guaranteed a massive grounding of birds now pass with little evidence in the way of woodlots teeming with vireos, warblers, tanagers, and grosbeaks. The coastal woodlands are now silent. Silent spring.

I am not prone to hyperbole, and I have resisted the "chicken little" cries of many of my friends. But I cannot ignore the obvious any longer. I have personally witnessed the decline of Neotropical migrant birds in my lifetime. I can personally testify as to the diminished numbers of migrants. In less than three decades, I have seen the radical diminishment of a number of species.

Hooded Warbler, Wood Thrush, and Cerulean Warbler are but a few of the species that now occur in appreciably lower numbers. These species have simply sifted away. What is more distressing, they have declined on our watch.

If you doubt my personal experiences, look at Sid Gauthreaux's recent work comparing weather radar data over the past decades. Migrant birds are visible on radar, and Sid has studied these images since the 1950s. Sid finds that discernible flocks of migrants occur during appropriate weather conditions (clear, trailing winds) at a fraction of the percent that they did only twenty years ago. Like myself, Sid is finding an increasingly silent spring as well.

No, not all migrants are declining. No, the trend is not irreversible. But we will lose many of these species over time if habitat trends do not change. Audubon stepped forward in the past to defend colonial waterbirds, and it must shoulder its responsibility to conserve Neotropical migrants in the present. Given the mission of the organization, no challenge is more direct or pressing. Audubon has no greater calling. Audubon has no excuse.

Grounding Comparison

By Ted Eubanks

May 1, 1996 - After my recent post (about) my perceptions concerning the decline of Neotropical migrant birds in my lifetime, I dug back into my files to find a reference. For the past twenty-five years I have kept a tally of all of the migrant groundings that I have witnessed and surveyed. I found a massive grounding in 1988 that is only one day later than the day in question (29-Apr-96). Let me furnish the caveats up front. Weather conditions are the critical element governing the appearance of migrants within the coastal hiatus, and these events can be remarkably fickle. In addition, the departure of the birds from the Yucatan is a function of proximate climatic conditions, not those along the upper Texas coast. All of that said, the two dates, less than a decade apart, were remarkably similar. On both occasions a late cold front swept over the Gulf coast, accompanied by strong north winds and rain. The surveys were performed at the same locations, and the same observers were involved. The list of birds, the species that we selected to monitor, are sorted in order of their abundance in previous

groundings. (This list has been abbreviated for space considerations. - Editor.)

Species	30-Apr-88	29-Apr-96
Bunting, Indigo	2000	31
Catbird, Gray	340	5
Vireo, Red-eyed	285	0
Warbler, Tenn.	390	26
Warbler, Magnolia	180	0
Thrush, Swainson's	325	2
Warbler, Black and White	275	0
Warbler, Bay-breasted	130	16
Redstart, American	225	2
Veery	135	0
Grosbeak, Rose-breasted	240	8
Warbler, Hooded	260	2
Tanager, Scarlet	210	2
Hummingbird, Ruby-throated	140	14
Oriole, Orchard	170	48
Ovenbird	280	2
Warbler, Yellow	475	45
Kingbird, Eastern	20	18
Oriole, Northern	430	5
Yellowthroat, Common	70	2
Gnatcatcher, Blue-gray	3	5
Tanager, Summer	115	9
Vireo, White-eyed	27	1
Grosbeak, Blue	100	0

Bringing Back the Birds

By Jeff Price, Ph.D.

Director, U.S. Important Bird Areas Program
American Bird Conservancy

May 6, 1996, Tampa, Florida - A national strategy to stop the decline of songbirds and other migratory birds by coordinating conservation efforts at the local, state, and national level was unveiled today by the participants of the Partners in Flight Program, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

A Commitment to Bird Conservation program was also introduced this morning by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. This is the first national drive to involve the 65 million birdwatchers in the Americas to take five simple steps to save birds. "This effort will create the first

national constituency for birds," said Amos S. Eno, executive director of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

A status report on the condition of birds in America was also issued to provide credible information for all birders to use. Peter Stangel, Ph.D., Director of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's Neotropical Migratory Bird Initiative said, "the overall report on the state of our birds is the story of one-thirds. One-third of the birds are doing well, one-third of our bird species are maintaining stable populations and, unfortunately, about 110 species of our winged friends need our help."

The North American Bird Conservation Strategy, dubbed the 'Flight Plan', was developed under the auspices of "Partners in Flight", a partnership of 16 federal agencies, 60 state and provincial fish and wildlife agencies, and 60 non-governmental organizations including conservation groups, philanthropic foundations, academic, professional, and industry groups.

Under the 'Flight Plan', teams of biologists will rank bird species most in need of conservation and then set population and habitat objectives for each species. They also will identify geographic areas critical to migratory birds and develop a blueprint for conserving each species and their habitats.

The various partners in "Partners in Flight" will use the blueprint to guide their own conservation projects and to work with landowners, birding clubs, and other groups that want to voluntarily restore or conserve songbird habitat.

Biologists believe the loss of habitat throughout North and South America and the Caribbean is the major reason for this decline. For example, the United States has lost more than half its wetlands, nearly all of its tallgrass prairie, 75 percent of shortgrass prairie, and almost all of its virgin forest.

"Partners in Flight" was created in 1990 by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to better focus limited conservation resources on the monitoring, research, management, and education programs of declining migratory species. "Partners in Flight" currently has working groups in almost every state. For more information see the "Partners in Flight" web page at <http://www.pif.nbs.gov/pif>

For more information contact: The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, 1120 Connecticut Avenue, Suite 900, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 857-0166, <http://www.nfwf.org>

Wild Times at Feather Lake

By John Sproul

Feather Lake News

Once again, it was an eventful spring at our Feather Lake Wildlife Sanctuary, located at 9500 North Loop in El Paso's lower valley. Migrating White-faced Ibis put on a spectacular display, their numbers building from 3 in mid-February to a peak of some 6,000 on April 6. At the other end of the numerical scale, we recorded our first-ever Gray Flycatcher and Western Tanager, bringing the species total for the sanctuary to 169.

Feather Lake is now closed until October 5. As always, a dedicated group of volunteers staffed the sanctuary during visitor hours in 1995-96. Hearty thanks go to Craig Braginton, Jean Coyle, Betty and Weldon Fisbeck, Jane Fowler, Ann Heying, Bob Johnson, Larry Jordan, Neil Keith, John Kiseda, Fran McCarty, Jo Nagel, Gail and Terry Nickel, Betty Pagel, Iola Pennington, Roxanne Schroeder, Charles and Helen Simpson, and John Sproul for their contributions.

Our May 18 workday/breakfast at Feather Lake was a great success. Jean Coyle, Jane Fowler, Bob Johnson, Jo Nagel, Betty Pagel and Nancy Wilson all helped make the meal a memorable one. After breakfast, we dedicated the tree recently planted in honor of Joe Guinn and Sid Shepperd. The plaque commemorating this event features a custom-designed plastic cover provided by Baker Plastics and woodwork courtesy of Bill Fowler. Our sincere thanks to both.

Although the weather is warm and the bird numbers relatively low, Feather Lake in summer has its own special charm. Come find out for yourself at our next workday on Saturday, July 13. We'll start at 8 AM to beat the heat.

Castner Range Eyed...Again

By John Sproul

There's a time-honored saying in conservation circles that "all victories are temporary, all defeats permanent." So true.

The 11 sections of the Army's old Castner Target Range west of the Patriot Freeway remain open space today thanks to the stewardship of the Army and the presence of unexploded artillery shells. The Franklin Mountains Wilderness Coalition (to which Audubon belongs) has long recommended that most of this land, once its surface has been searched and cleared of unexploded ordnance, should be added to Franklin Mountains State Park.

In 1986, the Texas Department of Transportation proposed building a maintenance yard on Castner Range along Trans Mountain Road just west of the freeway. That area is a critical part of the Coalition's recommended addition to the State Park, and it worked with U.S. Rep. Ron Coleman to get the facility moved elsewhere.

Later, in 1986-87, the City of El Paso considered putting a stadium on Castner Range in the same general area. The Coalition convinced the City Council that other, better sites existed, and Cohen Stadium was built elsewhere. Another important victory.

Now, the City is looking at projects to include in a 1997 bond election. One being considered is a sports-concert arena. And guess which site El Paso Mayor Larry Francis is promoting? Castner Range, just south of Trans Mountain and west of the freeway.

Once again, the smart land-use decision would be to build the facility elsewhere. The reasons are no different than they were 10 years ago:

- **Scenic Entryway.** The land on either side of Trans Mountain provides a beautiful scenic east entryway into the mountains. Castner Range is the one place where we can preserve a stunning unbroken sweep of wild land including all three mountain zones (steep upper slopes, foothills, and alluvial fan).

- **Rare Plants.** Due to unique soils and a far West Texas location, the lower elevations of Castner Range on either side of Trans Mountain support a number of plants found nowhere else in Texas. The spectacular displays of the showy Mexican Goldpoppy occur in this area.
- **Alluvial Fan.** The lower elevations of Castner Range present the only remaining opportunity to include a meaningful portion of an alluvial-fan landform within the State Park.
- **Cost.** Before any construction could take place, the Army would require a deep sub-surface clearance of unexploded ordnance. This multi-million-dollar cost can be avoided by choosing a site off Castner Range.
- **Good Alternatives.** Many other good sites exist, including sites nearby in northeast El Paso.

As the City Council decides what projects to include in the bond election, we need to make sure it understands what a mistake it would be to put a sports-concert arena at the mayor's suggested site. Any proposal for an arena needs to include a clear commitment to use another site. Please contact the mayor and your city representative (2 Civic Center Plaza, El Paso, TX 79999) and urge them to:

- locate any future sports-concert arena outside Castner Range, and
- support adding Castner Range to Franklin Mountains State Park.



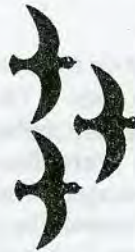
Chihuahuan Desert Wildlife Rescue

If you find an injured or orphaned wild animal in the El Paso/Las Cruces area call the Chihuahuan Desert Wildlife Rescue Chief Dispatcher, **Helen Bigelow**, at 882-2910 for assistance.

Still Champs?

By George Barnett

Will the El Paso/Trans Pecos Audubon Society be among the champs again for money raised in this year's Birdathon? It's still too early to say, but we're off to a good start. Birdathon weekend (May 4-5) saw thirty counters in the field and they were supported by no less than 218 sponsors.



Every Birdathon has its exciting times and great stories. This one was no exception. One group of counters scoured the area in search of birds and came back with 105 species sighted. Among those was a Yellow-throated Vireo, a species so unusual for this area that even John Sproul had to go check a field guide.

The hard work of the counters, if a weekend of birding can be considered work, plus the generosity of the sponsors go a very long way toward supporting our chosen local and national programs. This year the money raised will benefit:

- Education in the form of Audubon Adventures and Audubon Ecology Camp Scholarship program.
- The El Paso Environmental Center.
- Feather Lake Wildlife Sanctuary.
- National Audubon Society's Southwest Regional Office.

There will be more on Birdathon in the September newsletter.

Donations

The El Paso/Trans Pecos Audubon Society gratefully acknowledges donations from the following individuals:

Helen Bigelow for work at Feather Lake;

Jean Coyle for general chapter work.

On The Trail

C D W R

For those of you who don't know, C D W R stands for Chihuahuan Desert Wildlife Rescue. Helen Bigalow, who is the Chief Dispatcher for the organization, will host us for a briefing on their operation. This will be at her home in Anthony NM, after that we will go in search of the Heron Rookery west of the river. This will take place on Sun. June 9th and Tom Baker will be your leader, meet him at Transmountain Road and I 10 at 3:28 PM

ALONG THE LEVEE

On Sat. June 22d, Larry Jordan will take you on a tour of the Rio Grande Levee in the Lower Valley. The TARGET bird for this trip will be the Yellow-billed Cuckoo, you will also get a chance at Vermillion Flycatcher, Painted Bunting, Summer Tanager, Blue Grosbeak, Orchard Oriole and Yellow-breasted Chat. Meet Larry (833-5969) at Feather Lake, time 7:07 AM, bring lunch.

WILLOW CREEK

Sallie Homan will be your host at her cabin, located adjacent to the Willow Creek campground in the Gila National Forest. You will get a chance to see the Lewis' Woodpecker in Luna and the American Dipper at the Catwalk. This will take place over the Fourth of July weekend, July 4-7. If you cannot make all 4 days come for 2 or 3. Call Sallie (584-0415) for map and details.

ALONG A DIFFERENT LEVEE

On Sat. July 20th, Mary Lou Alcorn (584-8768) will guide you through the Upper Valley ending at the river levee by the Country Club Road Bridge. You will walk along the Levee to Randall's Pool area to see if the Willow Flycatcher may be nesting here. Meet Mary Lou at the Crossroads Ponding area at 7:14 AM. If you would like to see if the Mississippi Kite is hanging around Mary Lou's house (4331 Emory) stop by at 6:44 AM on the way to the Crossroads.

WATER CANYON

This trip will take us from the Rio Grande River Valley to the fir forests and will occur on the weekend of Aug. 3d and 4th. Birding stops at the Bosque Del Apache NWR for summer waders, Water Canyon for Goshawks and Red-faced Warblers and Magdalena for Pinyon Jays. Camping in the canyon or Motels in Socorro. Call Bob Johnson (757-1876) for map and details.

INDIAN SPRINGS

On Aug. 17 Gail and Terry Nickel (584-9621) will take you on a short hike into the canyons on the East side of the Franklins. 7:16 AM is the time to meet them at the Wilderness Park Museum. Its possible that this years fledgling Golden Eagle could be about, if not the Wrens (Cactus, Canyon and Rock) are just about a sure thing

FORT BLISS PONDS

Fall migration will be going strong, so this should produce quit a few wading birds and some of the ducks could be in. Greater and Lesser Yellowlegs will be there also Solitary and Spotted Sandpipers could be found. Meet Bob Johnson (757-1876) in the parking lot of the old WALMART STORE, 2825 Dyer St. on Sun. Sep. 8th at 7:28 AM

PLAN AHEAD

Sep. 28th and 29th Hawk Watch in the Monzano Mts.

FRIENDS of HUECO TANKS

Native American Pictographs, every Sat. 10AM & 2PM.
Bird Identification Tour, 3d Sunday of every month at 8 AM, summer dates Jun 16th, Jul 21st and Aug 18th.
Star Party; w/ picture show; Archeological Astronomy of the Plains Indians. 8 PM Sat. Jul 20th. Corey Stone.
Birds of Hueco Tanks slide show. 8 PM Sat. Aug 17

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<u>OVENBIRD</u>	<u>5/11</u>	<u>(SH)</u>	<u>D/O</u>
<u>NORTHERN WATER THRUSH</u>	<u>5/5</u>	<u>(PR)</u>	<u>D/O</u>
	<u>5/7</u>	<u>(JZ)</u>	<u>D/O</u>
<u>KENTUCKY WARBLER</u>	<u>5/2</u>	<u>(RW)</u>	<u>Ken</u>

GROSBEAKS to GOLDFINCHES

<u>ROSE-BRSTD GROSBEAK</u>	<u>5/6</u>	<u>(PR)</u>	<u>D/O</u>
	<u>5/8</u>	<u>(DC)</u>	<u>MPk</u>
<u>LAZULI BUNTING</u>	<u>4/20</u>	<u>(SH)</u>	<u>Msn</u>
	<u>5/1</u>	<u>(GN-yd)</u>	<u>Cor</u>
<u>Spotted Towhee (New Split)</u>	<u>5/7</u>	<u>(RH)</u>	<u>D/O</u>
<u>CLAY-COLORED SPARROW</u>	<u>5/1</u>	<u>(BZ)</u>	<u>FBP</u>
<u>BALTMRE ORLE (new split)</u>	<u>4/20</u>	<u>(HB)</u>	<u>Ant</u>
<u>Pinc Siskin</u>	<u>3/27</u>	<u>(JZ)</u>	<u>Can</u>
<u>Lesser Goldfinch</u>	<u>3/27</u>	<u>(JZ)</u>	<u>Can</u>
<u>AMERICAN GOLDFINCH</u>	<u>3/16</u>	<u>(JZ)</u>	<u>Can</u>

Observations

March 16, 1996 to May 15, 1996

Uncommon, RARE, and CASUAL sightings

A very rare sighting has the full entry **bold and underlined**. Some of the listings may not be considered RARE, but because of the season or habitat (date and/or location **bold and underlined**) they are unusual. The listing of birds here is determined using the checklist "Birds of El Paso County, Texas and Adjacent Areas" 7th Edition, October 1987. Sightings from the BIRDATHON (May 4/5) are not listed in this report. If you are unsure of a sighting, don't hesitate - report it, to Bob "WILDBIRDER" Johnson 757-1876 (recorder).

(Observers: Mary Lou Alcorn, Helen Bigalow, David Cusick, Helen Davis, Jane Fowler, Richard Hermsillo, Sallie Homan, Bob Johnson, Larry Jordan, John Kiseda, Gail Nickel, David Ogle, Al Olivas, Jim Paton, Patricia Russell, John Sproul, Ray Waite, Jimmy Zebreskie, Barry Zimmer.)

Locations: Ant-Anthony, APk-Album Park, Can-Canutillo, Cor-Coronado, DMA-Doniphan Marsh, D/O-Durling/Owens, Emy-Emory, FBP-Fort Bliss Ponds, Frn-Frontera, FLk-Feather Lake, FuC-Futurity Canal, Gsw-Gschwind, HTk-Hueco Tanks, Lnb-Lindbergh, Lom-Lombardy, Mem-Memorial Park, MPk-Mountain Park, Msn-Mason's Farm, RGL-Rio Grande Levee, RLk-Rainbow Lakes, STA-Santa Teresa Area, Tor-Tornillo, WSR-West Side Road.

GREBES to SCOTERS

Western Grebe	4/23	(RH)	FBP
CLARK'S GREBE	4/26	(BZ)	FBP
<u>WHITE PELICAN</u>	3/28	(RH)	FBP
DBL-CRSTD CORMORANT	Var	(JS)	FLk
GREAT EGRET	3/18	(LJ)	DMa
Blk-crwnd Night-Heron	3/30	(JK)	FuC
Snow Goose	4/26	(BZ)	FBP
Canvasback	5/7	(BZ)	FBP
Ring-necked Duck	4/29	(BZ)	FBP
Lesser Scaup	5/7	(BZ)	FBP
<u>SURF SCOTER</u>	3/31	(BJ)	FBP

OSPREY to FALCONS

OSPREY	3/27	(JZ)	Can
	4/6	(JK)	GSc
Mississippi Kite	3/28	(JF)	APk
	3/28	(MA)	Emy
HARRIS' HAWK	3/29	(RH)	FBP
Golden Eagle	4/13	(JK)	DMa
<u>MERLIN</u>	4/6	(JK)	GSc
PEREGRINE FALCON	4/21	(SH)	FBP
	thru 5/1	(BZ)	FBP
Prairie Falcon	4/27	(HD)	GSW

PLOVERS to SANDPIPERS

<u>BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER</u>	4/7	(BJ)	FBP
SNOWY PLOVER	4/29	(BZ)	FBP
SEMIPALMATED PLOVER	4/21	(BJ)	FBP
Solitary Sandpiper	3/30	(JK)	DMa
	4/7	(BJ)	FBP
Willet	4/22	(RH)	FBP
Long-billed Curlew	4/15	(JS)	FLk
	5/7	(BZ)	WSR
MARbled GODWIT	4/21	(SH)	FBP
	thru 5/7	(BZ)	FBP
<u>SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER</u>	5/2	(BZ)	FBP
BAIRD'S SANDPIPER	5/9	(BZ)	FBP
<u>STILT SANDPIPER</u>	4/22	(BZ)	FBP

GULLS to WOODPECKERS

Franklin's Gull	4/15-	5/7	(Mob)	FBP
<u>BO NAPART'S GULL</u>	4/22	5/7	(BZ)	FBP
FOSTER'S TERN	4/19	5/15	(RH)	FBP
<u>LEAST TERN</u>		5/2	(BZ)	FBP
		5/8	(JS)	FLk
<u>RUDDY GROUND-DOVE</u>	4/20	(JP)		Lnb
<u>WESTERN SCREECH OWL</u>	5/11	(JS)		Tor
BROAD-TAILED HUMBRD	4/10	(DO)		MPk
RUFUS HUMBRD	4/23	(HB)		Ant
<u>LEWIS' WOODPECKER</u>	3/15	(Mob)		Frn

FLYCATCHERS to PIPET

<u>SCISSOR-TAIL FLYCATCHR</u>	5/13	(JZ)		RLk
Olive-sided Flycatcher	4/24	(BJ)		FBP
DUSKY FLYCATCHER	4/21	(AO)		HTk
GRAY FLYCATCHER	4/21	(JS)		FLk
	5/9	(BZ)		Mem
Tree Swallow	3/30	(JK)		DMa
Bank Swallow	3/30	(JK)		DMa
Cave Swallow	4/6	(JS)		FLk
Scrub Jay	4/21	(AO)		HTk
Red-breasted Nuthatch	4/14	(JK)		Mem
American Pipet	5/2	(BZ)		FBP

VIREOS to WARBLERS

Warbling Vireo	4/27	(PR-yd)		STA
Virginia's Warbler	4/21	(AO)		HTk
<u>LUCY'S WARBLER</u>	5/11	(JS)		RGL
<u>NORTHERN PARULA</u>	5/12	(BJ)		HTk
<u>MAGNOLIA WARBLER</u>	5/9	(BZ)		FBP
BLK-THRTD GRAY WBLR	4/14	(JK)		Mem
	4/21	(AO)		HTk
Townsend's Warbler	4/25	(PR)		Lom
<u>PALM WARBLER</u>	4/20	(SH)		Msn
<u>BLACKPOLL WARBLER</u>	4/27	(SH)		Lnb

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CALENDAR

June

Sun., 9 - Field trip to CDWR, see page 6.
Mon., 10 - Board Meeting.
Sun., 16 - Bird identification tour at Hueco Tanks.
Sat., 22 - Field trip to Rio Grande Levee, see page 6.

July

Thu., 4 - Sun., 7 - Field trip to Willow Creek, see page 6.
Sat., 13 - Feather Lake workday.
Sat., 20 - Field trip to the Upper Valley Levee, see page 6.
Sun., 21 - Bird identification tour at Hueco Tanks.

August

Sat., 3 - Sun., 4 - Field trip to Water Canyon, see page 6.
Mon., 12 - Board Meeting.
Sat., 17 - Field trip to Indian Springs, see page 6.
Sun., 18 - Bird identification tour at Hueco Tanks.

September

Sun., 8 - Field trip to Ft. Bliss ponds, see page 6.
Mon., 9 - Board Meeting.
Mon., 16 - General Meeting.

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