

## Programs

Programs are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 2:00-4:00 pm, except October.

IFAS Extension Education Building, 250 W. County Home Road, Sanford 32773

### **Sept. 10 Migration Patterns of Six Florida Birds**

Gabriel Rey, Stetson University, will present research on how ranges have shifted for six Florida birds.

### **Oct. 8 The Big Sit!**

Join us for this annual bird count. Lake Jesup Park, 5951 Sanford Ave., Sanford, 7:00 am – 12 noon.

[gis.audubon.org/birdability/](https://gis.audubon.org/birdability/)

### **Nov. 12 Prescribed Burns**

Allegra Buyer, Seminole Natural Lands, will describe the planning, process, and benefits of burns.

### **Dec. 10 Inland Flooding**

Gabbie Milch, St. Johns River Middle Basin Coordinator, will discuss how natural systems and increased rain events impact inland flooding.

### **Jan. 14, 2024, Sandhill Crane Research**

Tim Dellinger, Fish and Wildlife Research Institute, will discuss research on sandhill cranes.

### **Feb. 11 Swallow-tailed Kites**

Ken Meyer, Avian Research and Conservation Institute, will share latest research.

### **Mar 10 Good Snake, Better Snake**

Natalie Swanson, Seminole Natural Lands, will provide fun facts about several native species.

## Field Trips

Bring: water, hat, appropriate footwear, sunscreen, and insect repellent. No dogs except service dogs.

Liability release must be signed. **Check our website for trip & program details.**

[seminoleaudubon.org](https://seminoleaudubon.org)

### **Saturday Sept. 16 Night Walk, Geneva**

**Wilderness Area.** Meet at parking lot at 7:30 pm.

3485 N County Rd 426, Geneva 32732 Contact

Leslie Martin [woodstork.martin@gmail.com](mailto:woodstork.martin@gmail.com)

### **Saturday Oct. 21 Econ Wilderness Area.**

Oviedo. Meet at map kiosk at 7:45 am. 3795 Old Lockwood Rd., Oviedo.

### **Saturday, November 18 Central Winds Park**

Meet at fishing pier at end of Hicks Ave. at

7:30 am. 100 Central Winds Drive, Winter

Springs. **Limit 15 participants.** Contact Cecilia

Carey [cacarey@cfl.rr.com](mailto:cacarey@cfl.rr.com)

### **Saturday Dec. 16 Christmas Bird Count**

SAS will form groups to participate. Birders & scribes needed. Contact Leslie Martin

[woodstork.martin@gmail.com](mailto:woodstork.martin@gmail.com)

### **Friday Jan. 19, 2024, Yankee Lake**

#### **Treatment Facility**

See Florida Scrub-jays at this managed habitat.

Meet 8:00 am, 501 Yankee Lake Rd, Sanford.

**Limit 10 participants.** Contact Phyllis Hall

[phylliscath814@gmail.com](mailto:phylliscath814@gmail.com)

### **Saturday Feb. 17 Pond-hopping**

Meet at 7:30 am at the pond in front of JOANN

Fabric & Crafts, near the Seminole Mall.

### **Saturday Mar. 16 Hontoon Island State Park**

Meet at the ferry boat landing at 7:45 am, 2309

River Ridge Rd., DeLand. **Limit 15**

**participants.** Contact Cecilia Carey

[cacarey@cfl.rr.com](mailto:cacarey@cfl.rr.com)

### **Saturday April 13 Gemini Springs Bio-Bingo**

Meet at the park at 8:00 am. 37 Dirksen Drive,

DeBary.

## Citizen Science Projects

### **EagleWatch**

Volunteers monitor nests to collect data, identify threats to the nests, and document the development of the eaglets produced.

[fl.audubon.org/get-involved/audubon-eaglewatch](https://fl.audubon.org/get-involved/audubon-eaglewatch)

### **Jay Watch**

Monitor Florida Scrub-jays on conservation sites to assess populations and trends over time.

Training in May and observations in June and July.

[fl.audubon.org/get-involved/jay-watch](https://fl.audubon.org/get-involved/jay-watch)

### **Wekiva Basin Banding Station**

At Lake Lotus Park. Come observe September-

May. [wekivaband.blogspot.com/](https://wekivaband.blogspot.com/)

## The Jay

Our electronic newsletter is published 5 times a year and reports on activities, conservation news, and future events.

## Audubon Adventures

Sponsored by our chapter and individual donors this program provides nature-related teaching materials to local elementary school classrooms and eco camps.

## Adopt-a-Park - Lake Jesup Park

Regular clean-up days are scheduled at this Seminole County Park. To volunteer contact:

Marguerite Terwilleger

[mterwilleger51@gmail.com](mailto:mterwilleger51@gmail.com) or Leslie Martin

[woodstork.martin@gmail.com](mailto:woodstork.martin@gmail.com).

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

### For New Audubon Members Only

When you join Seminole Audubon Society, you also become a member of Audubon of Florida and the National Audubon Society. Your membership benefits will include our newsletter *The JAY*, [Audubon Magazine](#), and the [Florida Naturalist](#). Most importantly, your membership will help us work for better preservation of the environment for the benefit of all species.

### Introductory offer \$20.00 / 1 year

Join on the Membership page of our web site: [seminoleaudubon.org](http://seminoleaudubon.org)

Please use Chapter code **E31**

Or, if you wish to join by mail, make checks payable to: **National Audubon Society**

Mail with this form to:

Seminole Audubon Society  
P.O. Box 2977  
Sanford FL 32772-2977

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City : \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Seminole Audubon Associate

**Membership \$10.00/year.** Available to Audubon Society members assigned to other chapters. Make check payable to: **Seminole Audubon Society.**

### How can you help birds?

Provide safe places for migratory and resident birds to hide, nest, forage, and drink water in your yard. Select native plants that provide seeds, berries, fruit, or nectar for birds. Native plants that attract pollinators or other insects are also beneficial, especially during breeding season when many birds are feeding them to their young. Find out which native plants are best for your area at [audubon.org/native-plants](http://audubon.org/native-plants)

If you see an injured bird, please contact a wildlife rehab facility listed on our website. [seminoleaudubon.org/rehab/](http://seminoleaudubon.org/rehab/)

### Need help with identifying a bird?

The free Merlin Bird ID App can help identify birds by sound, description, or via an uploaded picture. The free BirdNET App can help identify birds by sound. For new birders, *Birds of Florida Field Guide* by Stan Tekiela can help identify birds by their main colors. *The Sibley Field Guide for Birds of Eastern North America* by David Allen Sibley provides additional identification information for more experienced birders.

# SEMINOLE AUDUBON SOCIETY



## 2023-2024 Calendar

*Seminole Audubon Society is a chapter of National Audubon Society and Audubon of Florida. The mission of the Seminole Audubon Society is to promote the awareness and protection of the plants and animals in the St. Johns River Basin in order to sustain the beneficial coexistence of nature and humans.*

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