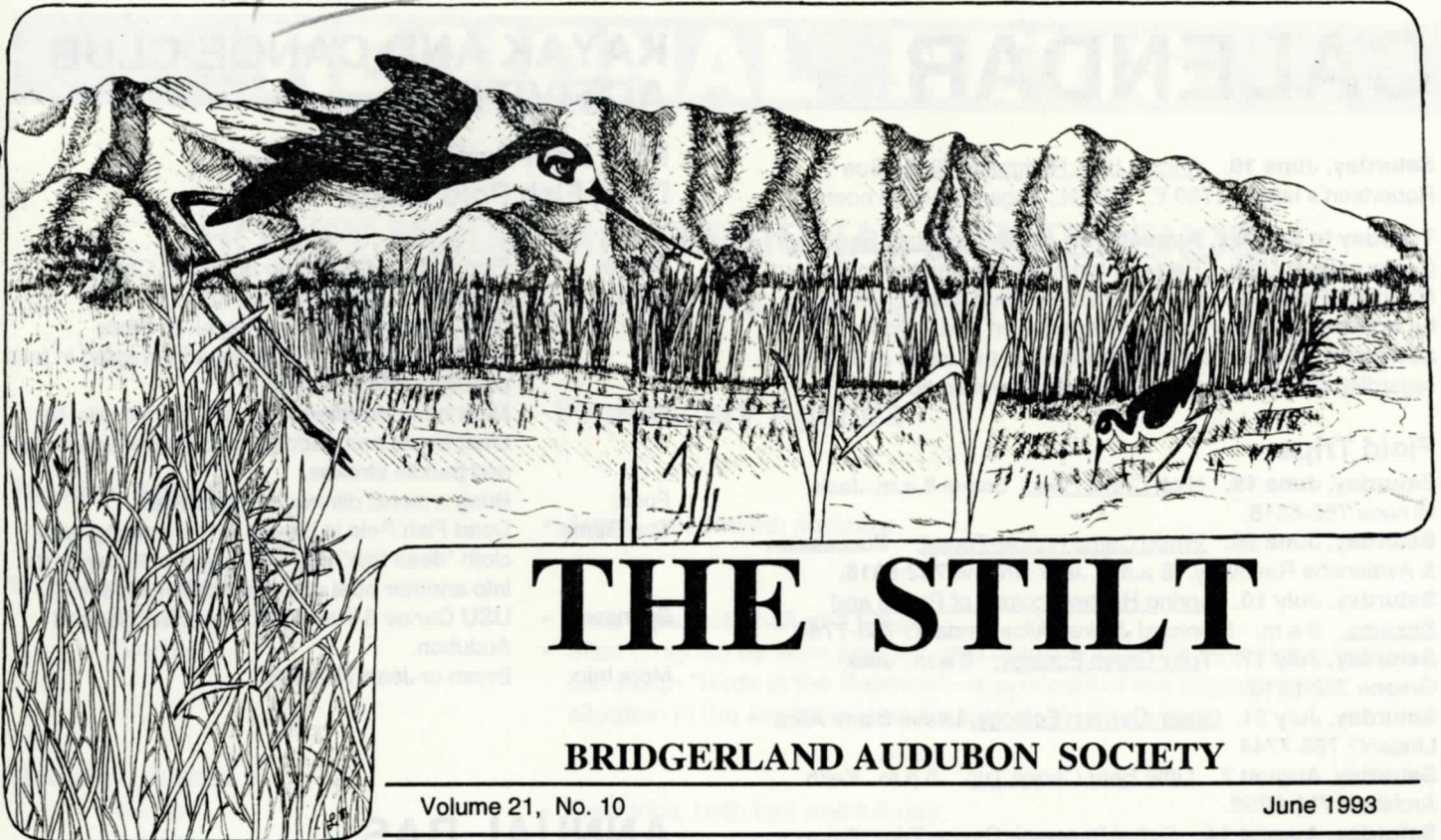


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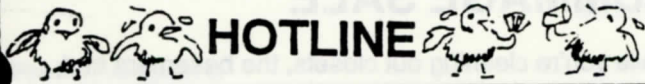


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HOTLINE

Last month's Hotline wasn't the last before summer vacation after all. Hard-working editor Lois Olson wants to slip another Stilt into your mailbox before the annual hiatus. We at Hotline Central are happy to oblige with an updated version of the Last List Until September.

- Bob Atwood had the biggest news of the season April 24, spotting a dunlin in full breeding plumage in the mudflats west of the fish hatchery on Valley View Highway. Good old Bob did the right thing: he ran to a pay phone and called a bunch of his obsessive birder buddies (reputed to drop everything for a rare sighting) before going back to the roadside to set up his spotting scope. Once we got to really *looking* at those mudflats we also identified two uncommon sandpipers—a least and a solitary.
- Kit Flannery's Quarter-Acre yardbirds in Hyde Park included a lazuli bunting and Audubon's (yellow-rumped) warbler on April 20, and a ruby-crowned kinglet, orange-crowned warbler, yellow warbler and common grackle April 28.
- Reinhard Jockel saw a vesper sparrow and heard a Brewer's sparrow April 23. He spotted Forster's terns, brown-headed cowbirds and cliff swallows April 24, a great egret April 26, black-headed grosbeaks April 29, and a chipping sparrow April 30.
- Veda dePaepe's resident Bullock's oriole returned to her backyard cottonwood tree on Mother's Day, May 9—surely a fine present!
- Jim Parrish saw two common loons, one at Porcupine Dam on April 18, the other at Hyrum Dam April 21. He had a Wilson's warbler in his yard May 16.

- Larry Ryel spotted a common loon at First Dam about noon on May 6, looking pretty pooped out. By supertime it had perked up considerably and was actively fishing. It was still here May 9. Tom Lyon wondered whether it might be the same bird that's spent a week on the reservoir each May for the last couple of years. (I don't know, but was glad the bird preened so cooperatively, so close to shore.)

- Keith Archibald put together Cache County's part of the Second Annual North American Migration Count May 8. Highlights included two Lewis' woodpeckers, one at Avon and the other at Pelican Pond, a solitary sandpiper, and hundreds—uncountable numbers, really—of Audubon's warblers, all over the valley floor, perhaps on hold in their migration because of our wintry weather. Keith was happy to see several blue-winged teal, a species he'd missed entirely last year. And I was tickled to spot, finally, a sora skulking through the marshes.

- Spouse and I saw black-crowned night herons—eight of them!—in a field near Benson Marina April 23, and western kingbirds on the airport road April 25.

Spring has finally sprung, we think, though this week it's felt more like summer. Go forth and enjoy it! And don't forget to call when you see something rare or wonderful in June, July or August. We'll spread the word.

— Nancy Williams, 753-6268

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CALENDAR

Saturday, June 19. Annual BAS Rummage Sale. Sue Robertson's home, 1780 E. 1400 N., Logan 9 a.m. til noon.

Tuesday to Sunday, August 3-8. Rocky Mountain Regional Conference in Utah. Register today for this summer's Rocky Mountain Regional Conference at Snowbird, Utah. There will be workshops, field trips, social interaction and keynote addresses. More detailed information in this issue of *The Still* regarding cost, lodging, meals, field trip registration, etc.

Field Trips

Saturday, June 19. High Creek Hike. Leave 8 a.m. Jack Greene 752-6816.

Saturday, June 26. Wood Camp Hollow-Forest. Succession & Avalanche Recovery. 8 a.m. Jack Greene 752-6816.

Saturday, July 10. Spring Hollow Ecology of Ponds and Streams. 8 a.m. Reinhard Jockel, Alice Lindahl? 753-7744.

Saturday, July 17. Tony Grove Ecology. 8 a.m. Jack Greene 752-6816.

Saturday, July 31. Green Canyon Ecology. Leave 8 am Alice Lindahl? 753-7744.

Saturday, August 7. Little Bear Canoe Trip. 5 p.m. Keith Archibald 752-8258.

Saturday, August 14. Cutler Reservoir Canoe Trip. 5 p.m. Al Stokes 752-2702.

Friday-Sunday, August 27-29. Red Rock Lakes Camping Trip. Variable departure. Terry Barnes, Tom & Pat Gordon 752-6561.

Saturday, September 11. Annual Kokanee Day. Porcupine Reservoir. Variable departure. Al Stokes 752-2702.

For all day field trips meet in the SW corner of Fred Meyer's parking lot at the designated time for each trip. Reservations or phoning ahead is not necessary.

For overnight camping trips or canoe trips please phone ahead to make a reservation with the trip leader.

NEW MEMBERS

Virginia Harder, Logan
Dr. Chris Wilson, Logan

RENEWALS

John R. Alley & Kathleen Kingsbury, Hyrum
Mr. & Mrs. John Barnes, Smithfield
Thather Berger, Logan
John R. Carlisle, Logan
James A. Hoffman & Sharon Smock Hoffman, Hanalei, Hawaii
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Michael J. Stones, Logan
Louise Thomas, Logan
John K. Wood, Logan
Wayne Wurtsbaugh & Linda Lai, Logan

KAYAK AND CANOE CLUB ACTIVITIES

First Dam Paddle Fest and Dead Fish Polo Game

Where: First Dam at the mouth of Logan Canyon.
When: Tuesday, June 15, 6 p.m. to dark.
Who: Everyone with a canoe, kayak or other paddle/oar craft (and persons interested in test paddling different boats).
What: Meet other paddlers, practice kayak rolls, try other boats and paddles, and share techniques and paddle strokes.
Food: Bring a picnic dinner or munchies.
The Game: Dead Fish Polo is played with a floating terry cloth "dead fish" with the object of throwing it into another boat or into a goal basket.
Sponsors: USU Canoe & Kayak Club and Bridgerland Audubon.
More Info: Bryan or Jean 752-6830.

ANNUAL BAS RUMMAGE SALE

While you're cleaning out closets, the basement and garage in the coming weeks, set aside some of those things you know deep down in your heart you'll never wear or use again for the BAS Rummage Sale. The big event will take place **Saturday, June 19**, from 9 a.m. until noon at Sue Robertson's house, located at 1780 E. 1400 N. in Logan. Sue has very generously offered the use of her garage and yard once again.

After working on this event for the last few years, Sue and I have learned some truths about what sells and what doesn't. Almost anything (in reasonable condition) that has to do with babies and children sells well. This includes strollers, baby equipment, toys, clothes, bikes and sports equipment. Tools, electronic equipment, books (not text books), linens, furniture and decorative items also sell well. So do "treasures" and unusual items.

Items that do **not** sell well include adult shoes, belts, mattresses, box springs, couches and anything that is dirty, missing crucial pieces or broken beyond repair.

Items can be brought to Sue's house in advance (call first if it is large 752-4598) to be stored and priced. If you would like to help price the night before the sale or help (even an hour) on the day of the sale call Sue (752-4598) or me at 753-4482. Your donations and/or help would be greatly appreciated.

— Elizabeth Walker

REGIONAL NEWS

ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Snowbird, Utah — August 3-8, 1993

Preliminary Agenda

Tuesday, August 3

- Arrival, get settled, socialize.

Wednesday, August 4

All Day
Evening

- Field trips, both half and full day.
- Slide program by Stan Senner, describing Audubon's new high priority campaign "Birds in the Balance"—a synopsis of the migratory bird situation in the Americas and the role all of us can play.

Thursday, August 5

All Day
Evening

- Field trips, both half and full day.
- Presentation about the Wise Use Movement with special emphasis on their impact on the West, e.g., mining, grazing, national parks and refuges, wilderness, etc.

Friday, August 6

Morning
Afternoon

- Half day field trips
- Joint and separate meetings of State Councils, their officers and lobbyists. Raising funds for these efforts.
- Armchair Activist workshop.
- Presentation of The Endangered Species High Priority Campaign.

Evening

Saturday, August 7

Morning
Ecology, Birds, Wetlands, and Future.
Luncheon Address
Afternoon

- The Great Salt Lake—Our National Treasure; The Bear River Refuge—Its
- Audubon President, Peter A.A. Berle.
- Concurrent workshop on wetlands, migratory birds, wise use movement, and endangered species.
- Banquet and Guest Speaker.

Evening

Sunday, August 8

Morning

- Concurrent workshop (birdathon, fundraising, leadership development, ethics, communications, Armchair Activist, environmental priorities, and others).
- Head for home or to the Second Century Meeting (in Salt Lake City), being organized by regional board member, Ruth Russell, and hosted by Utah Council President, Pat Briggs.

Noon

Mae Coover has reserved a 10 person condo at Snowbird for the Rocky Mountain Regional Conference. To reserve your spot contact Mae or Merv Coover at 752-8871.

COMMON GROUND

Outdoor Adventures

Summer Outings

Saturday, June 12. Perception Park

Meet at 9 a.m. at OPTIONS for Independence, 1095 N. Main. Park at Bridgerland Square, and we will car pool to Perception Park in Ogden Canyon. We will be hiking, birding, and picnicking at the park. All of these activities will be adapted to people of all abilities. Bird identification by sound will be conducted for those with visual impairments. Bring a lunch, water, comfortable outdoor clothes, and some friends.

Saturday, July 10. Bear River

Canoe trip. Details to be announced.

Saturday, August 28

Hiking trip. Details to be announced.

Saturday, September 18. Logan Canyon

Drive through the canyon, picnic and hike. Details to be announced.

Friday-Sunday, October 8-10. Arches National Park

Camping trip. Details to be announced.

Common Ground monthly meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at OPTIONS for Independence, 1095 N. Main. The next meeting will be June 2. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Steering committee members and all others who might be interested in taking on a leadership role: There will be a training session held Wednesday, June 9 at 7 p.m. at OPTIONS for Independence, 1095 N. Main. We will discuss disability awareness, information regarding specific disabilities, social integration, and safety issues. I STRONGLY ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO ATTEND THIS MEETING!

Volunteer projects to make outdoor recreation facilities accessible are being planned with the Forest Service. Dates to be announced.

Accessible transportation will be provided for meetings and outings on a first come, first serve basis. If transportation is desired, please contact Kate Stephens at 753-5353.

For more information, contact Kate Stephens at 753-5353.

Those who wish to participate in Audubon field trips should come dressed for the weather

SUMMARY 1993 UTAH LEGISLATURE: IT COULD BE WORSE

I have had the opportunity to be a Lobbyist for the Audubon Council of Utah at the Utah Legislature for the last four years. The 1993 Session was the most difficult session I have experienced.

Newspapers covered many issues that we were concerned about. *The Deseret News* lead headline on February 4 was "Lawmakers Fire Away at Wildlife Policy." The February 22 *Salt Lake Tribune* Outdoor Headline declared "Utah Legislators Ignore Division of Wildlife Resources Mission." The most telling headline was in February 22 *Ogden Standard Examiner*, "'Cowboy caucus' winning showdowns."

There were definite losses for wildlife. Striped skunk and red fox will be able to be taken by anyone without a license. Spotlight hunting of striped skunk and red fox will be permitted if established by county ordinance. The Division of Wildlife Resources lost over \$600,000 in General Funds. In Fiscal Year 1992, the Division of Wildlife Resources had almost \$1.4 million in General Funds. For Fiscal Year 1994, the amount will be \$216,600.

There were some positives for wildlife. The major bill that Audubon promoted during the 1993 session was the Wildlife Heritage Program. The passage of this bill sets up an advisory committee to develop ways for non-consumptive wildlife enthusiasts to participate in Division of Wildlife Resources programs by purchasing an annual \$15 per year certificate. Also the Legislature passed a special wildlife license plate that citizens can purchase, with the funds going to wildlife conservation and habitat improvements. The Legislature did not statutorily mandate a spring bear hunt. (On the other hand, they may have put a lot of pressure on the Wildlife Board to do so later this year.)

Thanks to Nadene Steinhoff who coordinated the efforts for the Chapter and to those of you who were willing to contact their legislators on specific issues.

Although the 1993 session could have been worse, we need to work to make future sessions better.

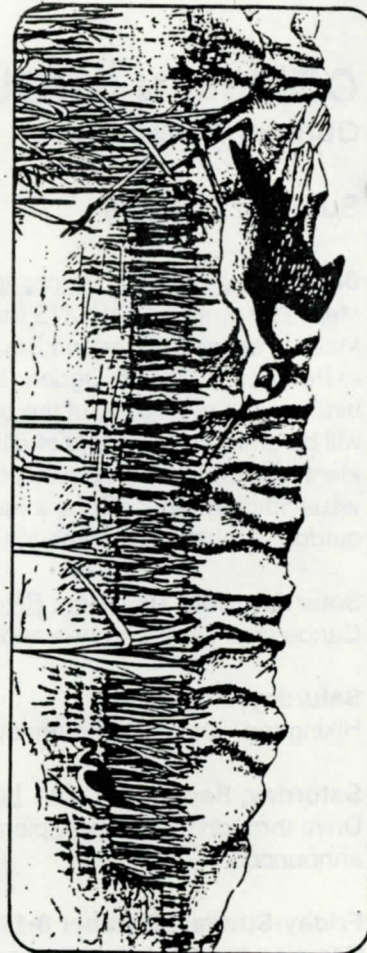
— Wayne Martinson
Audubon Lobbyist

Al Stokes still has sunflower seeds for sale. Stock up now for your fall and winter visitors.

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Yes, I'd like to join.

Please enroll me as a member of the National Audubon Society and of my local chapter. Please send AUDUBON magazine and my membership card to the address below.

My check for \$32 is enclosed.

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