

# The Stilt

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# Take in the Bear River Bird Festival

ick off your summer by enjoying a great day at Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge at the Bear River Bird Festival, set for Saturday, June 7, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Activities will be held at the old refuge headquarters site, 13 miles west of I-15 in Brigham City. Take Forest Street west (Exit 366) from Brigham City.

9 - 11 a.m. Nature Photography Talk & Walk with Jim McIntyre, nature and wildlife photographer. Will include classroom and outdoor instruction.

9:30 - 11 a.m. and 10 -11:30 a.m. Guided Bird Tours - led by Wasatch Audubon.

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Centennial train rides.

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Beginning Birding with Cal and Sharon Andrus at the observation deck.

12 - 1 p.m. Einstein the Pelican - program by Ogden Nature Center with a live pelican

1:30 - 2 p.m. Refuge Happenings by Al Trout followed by a drawing for a Browning shotgun.

9 - 2 p.m. Children's Activities, Information Booths, Demonstrations, Avocet Corner Souvenir Sales & more!

2 - 4 p.m. Landscaping for Birds Talk and Demonstration Area - at the home of Dick Hurren -1025 N. 450 West north side of Hwy. 13 (Corinne Road) at the north end of Brigham City. Watch for signs.

Prize drawings are at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

A silent auction will be held to raise funds for the new wildife education center.

Participants: The Nature Conservancy, Ogden Nature Center, Wasatch Audubon Chapter, Bridgerland Audubon Chapter, Ducks Unlimited, Browning, Friends of the Great Salt Lake, Utah Rivers Council, Friends of Bear River Refuge, Young Friends of Bear River Refuge, Bear River Club, Canada Goose Club. Utah DWR Wetlands Education Program, USU - Outdoor Recreation & Environmental Education, Go-Devil, Mud Buddy, Utah Airboater's Assoc., Jim McIntyre, Lloyd Gunther, Greg Woodard, Kurt Robinette.

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June 2003



**BAS Board of Trustees.** The Board of Trustees will meet this Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the offices of Bio-Resources, 135 E. Center, Logan. All are welcome to attend.

Work and Fun at Bridgerland Sanctuary. Join us for a morning of work and fun at Bridgerland Audubon Society's new sanctuary at the Barrens in Amalga. We will be doing some fencing work and observing wildlife while we work. We will meet at 8 a.m. at the parking lot between Café Ibis and the Logan Fire Station (50 E. 150 North) and will carpool to the sanctuary site. This is a great chance to help out at the Barrens while getting to know the area better. We'll be building a fence, installing boundary markers around the perimeter, and picking up litter. Bring the family, a picnic lunch and tools (shovels, gloves, hammers, saws, staple gun, post hole diggers) Afterwards, Saundra Schimmelpfennig will give a short presentation on what Bridgerland Audubon hopes to accomplish at the sanctuary. For further information call Dick Hurren (435) 734-2653.

Boating the Upper Bear River - Overnight Canoe Trip. Come and paddle a wonderful, little-used section of the Bear River with us from Georgetown, Idaho, to Alexander Reservoir by Soda Springs, Idaho. The reach is about 30 miles long and is mostly flat water, with the exception of a few easy Class I and II rapids and lots of railroad bridges that add a little excitement to this run. The birding is great and includes bald eagles, double-crested cormorants, common mergansers, and cedar waxwings, to name a few. Moose and deer are often seen on this run. We will float about 15 miles the first day, leave our canoes in a secure place along the river, and camp in a beautiful little Forest Service campground on the north toe of the Bear River Range called Cold Springs Campground. The next day, we will float the last 15 miles to the top of Alexander Reservoir and return home. If you want to throw \$10 in the hat, supper and breakfast at camp will be provided, or you can bring your own grub if you prefer. Meet at 7:30 a.m. at the parking lot between Café Ibis and the Logan Fire Station (50 E. 150 North) with your boat and camping gear. If you have any questions, need info, or wish to join in the group food buy, call Bill Masslich at 753-1759.

Visit to Cache Valley Residences Landscaped for Wildlife. A number of individuals in Cache Valley have gone out of their way to make their places bird and wildlife friendly. Some of these places have used plantings that make their yards xeric as well. Join us for a morning of visiting these places to see what wildlife they attract and what they have done to accomplish success. Meet at 8:30 a.m. at the parking lot between Café Ibis and the Logan Fire Station (50 E. 150 North) and plan to have a nice relaxing morning. For more information call Dick Hurren (435) 734-2653.

Birding the South End of Cache Valley. Birding in the canyons and meadows at the south end of Cache Valley is superb and often overlooked. Please join us for a morning of birding up East Canyon and around Paradise and Avon. Walking will be considerable but easy. Some unusual birds such as lesser goldfinches, calliope hummingbirds, and unusual warblers are often encountered. Meet at 8:30 a.m. at the parking lot between Café Ibis and the Logan Fire Station (50 E. 150 North). No lunch is necessary, but you may want to bring some munchies. For more information call Dick Hurren (435) 734-2653.

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