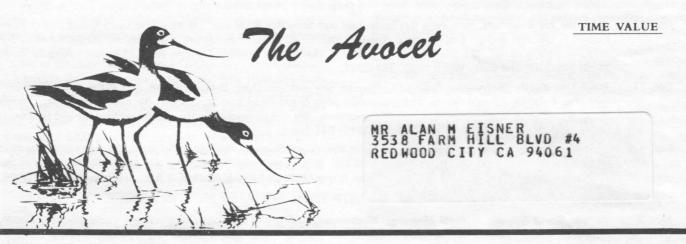
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please call Manette Wittgenstein, 354-9420, and Dolores Norton, 941-1666, or if no answer, call the leader *if you can give a ride* or if you want a ride.

- Oct. 2 Marin Headlands, Saturday, 8:30 a.m. Meet at Vista Point parking lot at north end of Golden Gate Bridge. Informal carpooling, 7:00 a.m. at commuter parking, I 280 & Page Mill Road, Palo Alto and Palo Alto Baylands, Hwy 101 and Embarcadero. Caravan to Rodeo Lagoon for early morning birding followed by hawk watching on Pt. Diablo. Bring lunch, liquids, does for variable and the orditions. Heavy rain cancels trip. Joint outing with Ohlone Audubon. Possible vagrant landbirds, excellent for accipiters and hawks, including possible Broadwinged. Leader: Don Schmoldt, (408) 251-6133.
- Oct. 2 Pelagic Trip (Shearwater Journeys), Saturday, 8:00 a.m., Monterey Bay, Fisherman's Wharf, return 3:00 p.m. \$24 per person. Reserve with check payable to Debi Love Shearwater, 362 Lee Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060, (408) 425-8111. Enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope for confirmation. Leaders: Steve Bailey and Arnold Small.
- Oct. 3 Pelagic Trip. See Oct. 2 for details. Leaders: John Luther and Don Robertson.
- Oct. 9 Point Reyes, Saturday, 8:15 a.m. Meet at Point Reyes Seashore Headquarters. Hwy 101 north to Sir Francis Drake Blvd. near San Rafael; west to Hwy 1, Olema; north and follow signs to headquarters. About two hours from San Jose. Bring lunch, liquids and layers of warm clothing. Gas up on Sir Francis Drake. LIMIT OF 20 PEOPLE; call leader for reservation and carpooling from peninsula. Heavy rain cancels trip. 1-2 miles of moderate walking. Time for migrant land and water birds, and particularly vagrants. Leader: Pete LaTourrette, (415) 961-2741.
- Oct. 9 Pelagic Trip. See Oct. 2 for details. Leaders: Ted Chandik and Guy McCaskie.
- Oct. 10 Pelagic Trip Storm petrel Tour. See Oct. 2 for details. \$32 per person. Leader: Alan Baldridge.
- Oct. 13 Field Trip South, Wednesday, 9 a.m., Los Gatos Creek County Park (Campbell Perculation Ponds). Take Winchester to Hacienda (from Los Gatos - right turn – from Campbell - left). Turn left on Dell and right at park entrance, bordering large pond. Meet in small parking lot beside picnic tables. Excellent for ducks, grebes herons. Last year we saw about thirty species on this easy walk. Leader: Joe Pettit (408) 266-5118. Call Manette Wittgenstein for rides (408) 354-9420.
- Oct. 16 Pescadero Marsh and Ano Nuevo, Saturday, 9:00 a.m. Meet in ocean-side parking lot at Pescadero Road and Hwy 1; south about five miles. Bring lunch, liquids and warm clothing. Informal carpooling, 7:45 a.m. at commuter parking, I 280 and Page Mill Road. In the afternoon, meet at 1:00 p.m. at the Ano Nuevo parking lot (entrance fee). Three miles of easy walking. Possible Pectoral Sandpipers. Excellent time for migrating shorebirds and pelagics. Leader, rain or shine: Ted Chandik, (415) 493-5330.
- Oct. 16,17 Pelagic Trips: See Oct. 2 for details. Leaders: Oct. 16, Steve Bailey and Keith Hansen; Oct. 17, Joe Morlan and Keith Hansen.
- Oct. 16,17 First Annual Nuts to You, Saturday and Sunday, 9:30 a.m. 4 p.m. For details see article.

- Oct. 20 General Meeting, Wednesday, Lucy Evans Baylands Interpretive Center, Palo Alto. Refreshments and getacquainted, 7:30 p.m.; program at 8 p.m. Marine Mammals of the West Coast by Doug Cheeseman, Professor of Zoology, De Anza College. Doug and Gail have been leading marine mammal and marine bird trips out of Monterey since 1974. They have also led trips to Baja and the Farallones. Doug was invited by Dr. Peter Beamish of Ocean Contact at Trinity Bay, Newfoundland to study humpback and minke whales and present a lecture on Marine Mammals. Slide presentation using two projectors with a lapse dissolve system.
- Oct. 23 Birdwalk for Beginners, Palo Alto Baylands, half day Saturday 9:00 a.m. Meet at the Lucy Evans Interpretive Center at the east end of Embarcadero Road. Limit of 20 people. Bring lunch and liquids. Approximately 1-2 miles of easy walking. We will look for shorebirds, ducks, and possible Clapper Rails. Leaders: Audrey Stoye (408) 249-2108 and Betty Wyatt (408) 251-6091.
- Oct. 27 Field Trip North, Wednesday, 8:30 a.m., Rancho San Antonio Open Space Preserve, Los Altos area. Take 280 and then Foothill Expressway to its intersection with Grant Road and St. Joseph Avenue. Follow St. Joseph Avenue to the end and park under the 280 overpass. We will carpool in to the special parking lot and bird from there. For information, call Dolores Norton (415) 941-1666.
- Oct. 30 Alum Rock Park, Saturday, 9:00 a.m. Meet at the Youth Science Institute parking lot. Families and beginners are welcome. Up to 3 miles of moderate walking. Bring lunch and liquids. We will search for the birds of the oak woodlands and chapparel. Leaders: Allen Royer (408) 251-6133; Mark and Judy McEuen (408) 251-3086.
- Oct. 30,31 First Annual Nuts to You, Saturday and Sunday, 9:30 a.m. 4 p.m. For details see article.
- Nov. 3 Special South County General Meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Saratoga Community Library Meeting Room, Saratoga Avenue near the Fruitvale intersection. Doug Cheeseman will present 200 outstanding slides of Australian birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, vegetation and reef life and talk extensively about the behavior of Australian marsupials and birds. These slides are on loan from the Melbourne Bird Observers' Club collection and from David Thomas, a professional naturalist-photographer of Cairns, Queensland. We hope that the many members from the south end of the county who have difficulty traveling to Palo Alto for general meetings will be able to make this one.

Field trip coordinator for November - Phil Hand (415) 851-2623.

- Nov. 6 Mount Madonna Owling, Saturday, 6:30 p.m. Outing will last approximately 4 hours. Bring warm clothing. Call for details. Leader: David Moore (408) 293-7124.
- Nov. 7 Pelagic Trip. See Oct. 2 for details. Leader: Alan Baldridge.
- Nov. 14 Coyote Hills Regional Park, Sunday, half day, 8:30 a.m. Meet in parking lot to the right of entrance. Primarily for beginners, but all are welcome. Three miles of easy walking. Lunch optional at the picnic area. About 50 species possible, including American Bittern, rails, Marsh and Rock Wrens. Call if raining in A.M. Leader: Phil Hand (415) 851-2623.
- Nov. 17 General Meeting, Wednesday, Lucy Evans Baylands Interpretive Center, Palo Alto. Dave De Sante to speak on Bird Banding at Point Reyes Bird Observatory. Emphasis will be on relationship of weather and juvenile Production.
- Nov. 21 Ed Levin Park, Sunday. Leader: Vicki Silvas-Young. More in November Avocet.
- Nov. 28 Searsville Lake and Jasper Ridge. Leaders: Bill and Jean Clark. More in November Avocet.

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

1982 SAN JOSE CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT. Save the day – Sunday, December 19, for our annual CBC. Join the day's count (over 150 species are usual) followed by a tasty dinner. More info will be provided in later Avocets.

MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT plans its 10th Anniversary Celebration dinner for Saturday, November 13 at 6:30 p.m. More in November Avocet.



Join First Annual Nuts to you

Anxious to join Audubon activities but don't know where to start? Tired of seeing the same old birds? For a change of pace, consider helping SCVAS at our *First Annual Nuts to You.*

We've set aside two weekends in October to pick walnuts - a switch from our usual field trips. The Hunton's have donated their entire walnut crop to benefit Mono Lake.

We're going to pick the walnuts on October 16 and 17 and October 30 and 31. We'll start at 9:30 a.m. and will work until 4:00 p.m., rain or shine. If you don't see yourself in the role of a shaker and mover (of walnuts, that is) don't worry. We've still got a job for you. The biggest chore is removing the walnut hulls. A lot of people could make the task a pleasure. Help out all four days or for an hour. Whatever you can spend will benefit Mono Lake.

Wear work clothes and comfortable shoes. Bring: gloves, tarp if you can, brown bag lunch, and cup. We'll provide coffee and tea throughout the day. Bring bathing suit, too. A dip in the Hunton's pool at the end of the day should ease weary bones.

For more information call (415) 325-1811 – or show up ready for work at 25600 Fernhill Drive, Los Altos Hills. *Phyllis Swanson*



SCVAS Grants

The Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society (SCVAS) continues its program of providing grants to studies and projects that advance the knowledge, appreciation and protection of wildlife and its habitats. Proposals for grants will be accepted through November 15, 1982, for consideration in the fall funding cycle. Up to \$1500 total will be awarded by January 15, 1983, to those proposals approved fully or partially by the SCVAS Grants Committee and Board of Directors.

Applications for grants must be submitted on a "Grant Request Form", which can be obtained by writing to:

> SCVAS Grants c/o 2526 Amaryl Drive San Jose, CA 95132

Each completed request form must be accompanied by a proposed budget and schedule for the study or project. After completion of the funded activity, the recipient of a grant may be asked to give a presentation at a SCVAS General Meeting, or to prepare an article for the SCVAS's monthly *Avocet*.

FIELD NOTES

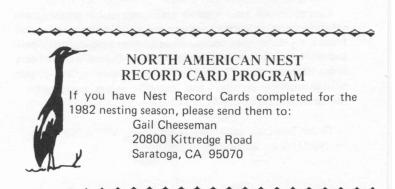
Bill Bousman

The peak of the shorebird migration is over by late September, and in our local area we start to see the build-up in ducks and other winter residents. Early October brings two of the most interesting Northern California migration phenomena: hawk migration and eastern passerine vagrants. Both are largely coastal patterns, the hawk migration is best seen from the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (Marin Headlands, Bunker Hill) north of the Golden Gate Bridge, while the best eastern vagrant spots are on Pt. Reyes peninsula and along the Carmel River mouth. Nearer to home, vagrants can also be found in San Francisco's Lincoln and Golden Gate Park and Moss Beach in San Mateo County. For every one hundred eastern warblers found along the coast, we are lucky to find one in Santa Clara County, largely because they are not concentrated in any one place in the country - the oasis effect. However, while birding this month keep an eye out for the bird that seems out of place.

In March I suggested that a hypothetical birder taking two half day trips a month could with careful planning see 165-210 species in the local area in a year. Of course, there is no such thing as a hypothetical birder, but I stumbled across the checklist of a fellow who has taken some of my recommended trips and noted that as of 1 September he has recorded about 130 species. He unfortunately didn't take any trips in July and August and missed the good coastal shorebird migration. For October I would recommend a coastal trip again, this time starting at Moss Beach for vagrant warblers and from there head south to Princeton Harbor for early winter arrivals. For the second trip our hypothetical birder should look to see what's missing, what common species he hasn't seen - a trip to the Baylands, the Palo Alto Flood Control Basin and Charleston Slough would be very nice.

Charleston Slough is one of our most productive habitats for rarities in August. The Rare Bird Alert (RBA) tape has reported 1-2 adult Little Blue Herons in the slough all through August. They have been here at least every year since 1978. Two Lesser Yellowlegs were reported here on 7 August (RBA), and seven at Moffett Field on 7 September were also a typical location. A Baird's Sandpiper was in the settling ponds behind the El Camino Dog Kennels 15 August, the same spot they were found two years ago. Least Tens have also been at the slough in August with a maximum of 16 reported at the beginning of the month (RBA).

If you see an "uncommon to rare" please call or drop a note to: Bill Bousman, 321 Arlington Way, Menlo Park, CA 94025 (415-322-5282).



Kep Stone

Annual Audubon Dinner

One of Audubon's longest standing traditions, the Annual Dinner, will take place this year in a new setting – Los Angeles. Originally the closing banquet of the Society's then-yearly convention, the Annual Dinner evolved into a separate event and became a time for members to rally together, hear their president and other leaders, and present the Audubon Medal to an outstanding environmentalist.

Beginning this year the Annual Dinner will be held in a different city, giving more members an opportunity to attend, and giving the chapters in different parts of the country an opportunity to host those members who do attend.

The western region – home of 15 percent of the nation's population – contains 22 percent of the Society's members. Thus, Los Angeles, as the largest population center in this expanding area, was selected as the site for this year's event.

The 1982 dinner will be held at the Biltmore Hotel in downtown Los Angeles on Thursday, November 4. The dinner will include an address by Russ Peterson, President of the National Audubon Society, the presentation of the Audubon Medal, and a special audio-visual presentation on Mono Lake by David Gaines. Cocktails will begin at 6:30 p.m., with the dinner at 7:30 p.m. Reservations, which should be made before October 29, 1982, are \$30 per person.

For information, members should call (213) 441-3466. To make your reservation, send the total amount (\$30 per person) to National Audubon Society, 1414 South Fair Oaks, South Pasadena, California 91030.

SCHOOLYARD BIRDS

SCVAS has its own slide show for elementary school age children. If you are a teacher, or a parent, and would like to have the program shown to a class, please contact Lynn at the SCVAS office (329-1811), and we will arrange for a volunteer to come to your school.

Book Review

The Bird Finder's 3-Year Note Book, by Paul S. Eriksson, published by Paul S. Eriksson, 288 pages, illustrated, \$9.95.

For everyone interested in birds, this book provides a satisfying way to keep a permanent record of exciting finds. Ideal for year-by-year comparisons and for keeping track of the myriad details in bird identification. Contains a life list index of more than 700 North American species, in alphabetical order by common and scientific names, based upon the latest update of the ACU's Checklist.

Order from the publisher, Middlebury, VT 95753. Postage paid if order accompanied by check.

What's in a Name?

The A.B.A. has listed 65 bird species name changes, and in addition 49 species have been added, and five dropped. Almost all are in accordance with the changes to appear in the next A.O.U. checklist. There will be some changes in taxonomic order as well.

Additions due to spliting include:

Black-Vented Shearwater (the Western bird) from Manx Shearwater, Yellow-Footed Gull (Gulf of California and Salton Sea) from Western Gull, Western Screech Owl from Screech Owl, Antillean Nighthawk from Common Nighthawk, Red-Breasted Sapsucker from Yellow-Bellied Sapsucker, Couch's Kingbird from Tropical Kingbird, and Black-Backed Wagtail from White Wagtail.

Deletions due to lumping include:

Bewick's and Whistling Swan to Tundra Swan, Black Brant to Brant, Mexican Duck to Mallard, Black-Crested Titmouse to Tufted Titmouse, Brown-Throated Wren to House Wren, Yellow-Green Vireo to Red-Eyed Vireo, Gray-Crowned, Black, Brown-Capped Rosy Finches to Rosy Finch, and Gray-Headed Junco to Dark-Eyed Junco.

Name changes of most direct local interest include:

Northern Pintail from Common Pintail, Black-Shouldered Kite (This is more than a simple name change. The White-Tailed Kite ((Elanus leucurus)) has been lumped into the Black-Shouldered Kite ((E. caeruleus)) of Africa and Asia) from White-Tailed Kite, Northern Bobwhite from Common Bobwhite, Common Moorhen from Common Gallinule, Red-Necked Phalarope from Northern Phalarope, Least Tern from Little Tern, Common Murre from Thin-Billed Murre, Common Poor-Will from Poor-Will, Black-Backed Woodpecker from B.B. Three-Toed Woodpecker, Three-Toed Woodpecker from Northern Three-Toed Woodpecker, Brown Crested Flycatcher from Wied's Crested Flycatcher, Dusky-Capped Flycatcher from Olivaceous Flycatcher, Greater Pewee from Coues' Flycatcher, Northern Beardless Tyrannulet from Northern Beardless Flycatcher, Eurasian Skylark from Common Skylark, Common Raven from Northern Raven, Chihuahuan Raven from White-Necked Raven, Dark-Eyed Junco from Northern Junco, and Yellow - Eyed Junco from Mexican Junco.

Phil Hand



Officers urge yes on 11 & 13

The chapter board of directors voted unanimously at its September 7 meeting to support both Proposition 13, the Water Resources Conservation and Efficiency Act; and Proposition 11, the Can and Bottle Recycling Initiative.

BOTTLE BILL

Every minute 13,000 beverage cans and bottles are thrown away in California. The implications of this waste are enormous: 7,000 barrels of imported oil, 20 million gallons of water, and tons of aluminum and glass are wasted every day because we continue to rely on the outdated throw-away container.

Proposition 11 would make a five cent deposit mandatory on all beer and soft drink containers. Stores and recyclers would redeem empty containers.

In states where similar laws have already gone into effect, container litter has been cut 80%. Total litter volume has dropped 40%. More than nine out of ten containers are being returned for reuse or recycling in states where the laws have passed.

In Michigan total solid waste dropped 4.5% as a result of the bottle bill, for a savings to taxpayers of \$15 million in 1979, and in Maine, litter control costs dropped 58% due to the law.

There have been 300,000 litter related injuries in California caused by bottles and cans. Medical costs exceed \$3 million per year.

The beverage industry is expected to fight the initiative with a well-financed media blitz, including radio and TV ads, messages on grocery bags and six-packs, and perhaps even interruptions of grocery store music.



New director

Betsy Blais, newest SCVAS board member, brings many special talents to the chapter. She is an administrative assistant to Assemblyman Byron Sher and will be keeping us up to date on legislative environmental issues. She is also a member of the Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Commission – most recently as its chairperson. Her jurisdiction includes many of the parks where we conduct Audubon field trips. Betsy has been working for the environment both as a volunteer and as a staff person since 1973 and is now filling the remaining term of Donna Zetterquist who has agreed to become our recording secretary. Welcome, Betsy. WATER RESOURCES

There has been no significant reform of California water policy in more than 60 years. Every attempt to deal with our most serious water problems in the legislature has been blocked by lobbyists for agricultural corporations and water district bureaucrats. As a result, California's water problems keep getting worse. Here are some of the things that are happening as you read this:

- Groundwater supplies are being over-pumped in some parts of the state so seriously that the ground has sunk 29 feet and the Department of Water Resources has called the situation "critical".
- Public streams and rivers are totally dammed and diverted for private use, causing permanent environmental damage to some of our state's precious natural water resources.
- Residential property owners are paying property taxes to provide water price subsidies for large corporate agricultural water users.
- California's commercial and sport fishing industries are continuing to decline as streams and rivers become extinct and water quality suffers because of inadequate and out-of-date water management policies.

Here are the main arguments in favor of the Water Resources and Conservation and Efficiency Act:

- It establishes a *statewide* goal to end wasteful and inefficient uses of water in California.
- It addresses the serious environmental concerns about the management of Northern California water supplies.
- It will help meet the *critical water needs* of Southern California during the next 15 years.
- It requires communities and water districts throughout the state to draft and implement THEIR OWN LOCAL PLANS to meet the new goals of water conservation and efficiency.
- It provides *economic incentives* for farmers and water agencies to manage their water more efficiently.
- It creates *fair water pricing* by phasing out the use of property taxes as price subsidies to big water users.
- It provides *essential protection* for California's underground water supplies, which are being overpumped to a critical point in some parts of the state.
- It requires that enough *water be left in our remaining public rivers and streams* to support sport and commercial fishing, boating, other recreational uses, and wildlife, and to maintain the quality of the water.

"Yes on 13" supporters have a well organized local campaign supported by their Bay Area office. Volunteers are needed to help with fundraising, voter contact, endorsements, speaking, and media. For more information on how you may help during the final crucial month before the election call Allen Royer, (408) 251-6133.

Allen Royer



Sue Liskovec

Look! Its a ... BIG BIRD!

Nature Explorations/Tuleyome sponsored a trip to Mt. Pinos in the Los Padres Mountains to look for California condors the end of August. Jerry Emory was our leader, and joining our group was Dave Brower and his son Ken. (See September 1982 Audubon pg. 62 . . . "Brower: Last of the Optimists?") This Archdruid turned seventy this past summer and decided it was time to see the bird that has caused such controversy between conservation organizations.

We carpooled, and were entertained by a magnificent thunder and lightning storm near Bakersfield. Finally we reached our wonderful campspot in the yellowpine forest. The skies cleared and stars were close; great horned owls began calling before dawn. We hiked in to the windy mountain top and began our vigil. Jerry told us of the false condor shouts called by too eager spotters. A condor looks much like a small plane against those mountains, and there were many small planes flying. Circling on the thermals were golden eagles, turkey vultures, red tail hawks, and finally two big black birds were sighted and we trained our binoculars on the adult circling around our peak. What an incredible sight to watch this huge bird soar, never moving its wings, just tilting the tips of the wing feathers, like flaps on the wing of a plane. What a good view of the red-orange head, the spectacular white pattern under the wings, those huge 9-foot plus wings! Hurrahs of joy and applause went up from the groups observing. A few minutes later an immature condor repeated the circling around the mountain and we could compare the size and color differences from the adult. Two more condors were sighted by most of our group. Mountain and western bluebirds populated the area, and later we were enchanted with the calliope hummingbird and pygmy nuthatch antics.

Labor Day weekend it was my privilege to walk with Dave and Anne Brower on the Mono Lake Third Annual Bucket Brigade, bringing water from the Rush Creek LA intake to our lake. We joined with Dave Gaines and the bicycle contingent from Los Angeles and together poured fresh water back into Mono Lake.

Dave Brower's idea was to take the brackish Mono Lake water and dump it into the LA Rush Creek intake!

That same evening Brower gave a most inspiring talk "Conservation and Global Security" at the Sierra Club's LeConte Memorial in Yosemite Valley. He also told us of the "First Biennial Conference on the Fate of the Earth" to be held at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City October 19, 20, and 21 this fall. NAS is co-sponsoring it with many other organizations, and keynote speaker will be Russ Peterson. Call me or Steve Raugh, Friends of the Earth, 433-7373 for more information.

Mary E. Hallesy

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New bird observatory needs volunteers

Volunteers and members are needed by the San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory in Alviso to help establish accurate biological information on the Bay's ecosystem.

The Observatory, with headquarters in the historic Bayside Cannery Co. building at 1290 Hope St. – the building with the big mural on the front – was established by members of the Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society and the South Bay Institute for Avian Studies.

Knowledge of critical species which is gained by the organization will be disseminated to various federal, state, local and private agencies responsible for making crucial wildlife decisions.

The Observatory will train field teams for research as well as offer a wide variety of educational programs designed to increase the public's awareness of the beauty and fragility of the Bay.

The \$15 membership fee supports ongoing research and gives members access to what the founders hope will become the finest ornithological library on the West Coast. Volunteers are needed to spend a few hours each week in the field, or typing, painting, hammering, etc. Call (408) 642-6548 or (408) 867-4791 for further information or to help.

Bird watchers top my honors list. I aimed to be one, but I missed. Since I'm both myopic & astigmatic, My aim turned out to be erratic, And I, bespectacled and binocular, Exposed myself to comment jocular. That's why I sit here growing old by inches, Watching the clock instead of finches. But I sometimes visualize in my gin The Audubon that I audubin.

- Ogden Nash



Classes

Ecology and Animals of Tanzania, Seychelles and Kenya. Sept. 30, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28; 8:15 p.m. - 10:15 p.m. Instructor Doug Cheeseman. Lectures will be on the general ecology of the diverse habitats, antelope and other herbivores, predators and raptors, birds. Also included will be an overview of Australian Natural History. De Anza Community College Short Course, 408/996-4673 or Doug Cheeseman 408/996-4657 or 408/996-4525 on campus or at home 408/867-1371.

<u>Birding in Central California</u>. Saturday field trips Oct. 23, Nov. 13, Dec. 11. Two-hour orientation session on prior Tuesday evenings. Ted Chandik, instructor. Foothill Community College Short Course. Call 415/948-2587 for information.

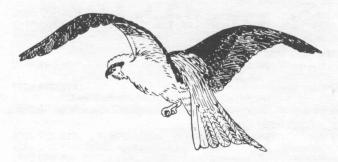
Natural History of the San Francisco Bay Region. Instructor Garv Hoefler. Lectures Wednesdays Oct. 20 - Nov. 11 and field trips the following Saturdays to major natural habitats in the Bay Area to compare different ecosystems, environments, birds, plants and life zones. Foothill Community College Short Course. Call 415/948-2587 for information.

Oceanic Birds of California, Ted Chandik, instructor. October Short Course through West Valley College. To include pelagic boat trip. Call West Valley Community Development Office for details, 408/867-0440.

Travel

Ecology and Natural History of Australia. Doug and Gail Cheeseman will lead trip August 5 - September 4, 1983. Emphasis on the birds, mammals (marsupials), reptiles, unique plants, barrier reef fishes and invertebrates. Credit available. Call the Cheesemans at home, 408/867-1371 or Doug at De Anza Community College 408/996-4567. Land cost about \$3,100, airfare about \$2,200.

Tanzania, Seychelles, Kenya Natural History with Doug and Gail Cheeseman. June 20 - July 19, 1984. Land cost \$3,800, airfare about \$2,100. Trip filling fast. 13 participants. 408/867-1371 or 408/996-4567 (work).



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