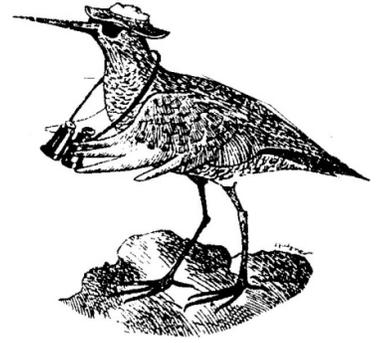


2018 Honey Creek Birdathon and Bandathon



This annual event will take place at WSO's Harold and Carla Kruse Honey Creek Nature Preserve property in the Baraboo Hills of Sauk County. Birders will tally the number of species identified on the property on Sunday May 13, 2018, and Professor Anna Pidgeon and her crew will be banding that day, as well. Please join your fellow birders at this officially designated Important Birding Area (IBA) as we walk up the valley starting at 8 a.m. The walking pace will be leisurely but several small steams must be negotiated. Appropriate footwear and a walking stick can come in handy. We also are bringing back some of the old traditions by offering a camping opportunity and a potluck cookout at 7 p.m. on Saturday. Let Barred and Great Horned Owls lull you to sleep, help listen for an Eastern Whip-poor-will and then wake up early to be on hand for the dawn chorus. There are restroom facilities and shelter in case of inclement weather and hot, fresh coffee to get you going Sunday morning. Honey Creek is designated a State Natural Area and provides habitat for some of the state's rarest and most beautiful birds. The Honey Creek Birdathon/Bandathon is the primary source of funding for maintenance of the preserve property. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 for the removal of invasive species and maintenance of trails and the Cox Nature Center.

The Harold and Carla Kruse Honey Creek Nature Preserve can be reached by going west out of Prairie du Sac on Highway PF about 15 miles to Skyview Drive. Go left about three-quarters of a mile to Alder Drive; turn left on Alder and follow the short road to the Nature Center. The trail leading up to the Honey Creek valley lies 100 yards past the Alder Drive entrance on the right.

I enclose _____ as a donation for the 2018 birdathon/bandathon

I pledge _____ per species seen at Honey Creek on Sunday, May, 13, 2018

I pledge _____ per species banded that day at Honey Creek

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

Your tax deductible contribution will go directly to the annual insurance and maintenance expenses for WSO's Harold and Carla Kruse Nature Preserve. You will receive a detailed narrative and results summary from the event

Thank you!

Please mail your completed pledge form and donation to:

**WSO BIRDATHON/BANDATHON
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