Annual Picnic, June 4th
Los Robles Trail

For the tenth year in a row, our CVAS Annual Picnic will be held at Los Robles Trail, located adjacent to the original Janss House in Thousand Oaks. This beautiful location provides ample areas of both shade and sun. So south on Moorpark Road to the end, approximately one mile south of the 101 freeway. Turn right on Greenmeadow Ave and proceed approximately one mile to the parking lot at the end of Greenmeadow. Carpooling is encouraged as there is limited parking.

There will be a potluck picnic at 10:30 am. Please bring these food items to share for eight. If your name begins with:
- A to I bring a Dessert
- J to Q bring a Salad
- R to Z bring a Main Dish

Please bring your own table service, drinks and chairs. Come early and join the pre-picnic birdwalk which starts at 8:00 am.

Conservation
Conserve Water
by Dee Lyon

In southern California we are well aware of this type of conservation!
- Only 3% of the earth’s water is fresh water, and so we must protect this critical resource.
- Just moving and treating our water consumes 19% of the state’s electricity, 30% of our natural gas and annually 88 billion gallons of diesel fuel.
- Most of the environmentally aware and folks who can’t afford big water bills no longer have green lawns. This took away half their water usage.
- Children are being taught to turn off water when brushing their teeth. We are also taught to use shorter showers, water plants early and wash cars from a bucket. Rain barrels are becoming increasingly popular and greywater reuse is growing.
- Check your water meter when no one is using water in your house. If it’s moving there is a leak. Low flow toilets and shower heads are now a must. We know to run full loads of laundry and dishes.
- CVAS’s favorite water saver is Fill Your Yard With Native Plants.
- Once they are established native plants will cut down significantly on water requirements. They will also give much needed food and shelter to our birds and local wildlife.
- Mulch your garden to reduce water evaporation and to build healthy soil. Water only in the early morning or at night. Save unused water in the sink or shower for your plants. Learn about your drinking water through the EPA (https://www.epa.gov.ccr).
- Consider switching to tap water instead of bottled.
NEW MEMBERS THIS YEAR

Laurie Agard
Adrienne Brasted
Christopher Brown
Michael Buirge
Jeannie Chari
Emily Chebul
George Clark
Alicia Fahey
Jax Coopersmith
Shelby Crandell
Patricia Dallam
Francisco Durazo
Gina Gonzalez
Janice Grace
Monica Jacinto
Donald Lee
Roseanne Ludlum
Sheri Mayta
Mark O’Brian
Kris Ohlenkamp
Patti Pearis
Ethan Ripperger
Andrea Robinson
Maren Semler
Mary Lou Sharp
Sandy Shultz
Susan Simowitz
Kathleen Smith
Gabyy Sweeny
Tina Tan
Jennifer Tavera
Kym Valencia
Van Vibber
Janet Wall
Kim Whitaker

Northern Fulmar by Don Klabunde

American Robin by Don Klabunde

Black-crowned Night Heron by Don Klabunde
Black Oystercatcher by Don Klabunde

Willet by Don Klabunde

Scrub Jay by Jean Kohut

Vermilion Flycatcher by Don Klabunde

Red-winged Blackbird by Don Klabunde

Message from the Editor

The editor would appreciate any articles of interest, photographs or field trip reports from members. Please give them to me by the 5th of the month with articles in plain text and pictures in JPEG format.
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Regular meetings are held on the first Monday evening of each month at the Western Foundation of Vertebrate Zoology, 439 Calle San Pablo, Camarillo at 7:30 pm, unless otherwise noted. Everyone is welcome. Take Pleasant Valley Road or Lewis Road to where they cross south of the 101 Freeway. Go west to the second street, Calle San Pablo. Turn right. The Foundation is the fifth building on the left.

The Western Foundation of Vertebrate Zoology is a non-profit organization founded in 1956 to promote the study and conservation of birds and other vertebrates. The organization makes contributions in the areas of natural history collections, original research, and conservation.

The Roadrunner is published monthly except July and August by the Conejo Valley Audubon Society. It is sent to paid CVAS members only. Members are invited to submit articles, announcements, letters, photos, and drawings for publication consideration. Copy deadline is the 5th of the month. Send items to Gary Evans, 29 Sabra Ave., Oak Park, Calif. 91377-1126 or by E-mail: GaryE@ConejoValleyAudubon.org.

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