

Leadership Friends and Terns **Fall and Winter 2018**



Great Meadows Fall Migration Birding, Concord, MA

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, FROM 7:00 AM TO 9:00 AM

Established in 1944 to provide nesting, resting, and feeding habitat for birds and other wildlife, Great Meadows is well known for its birding opportunities. Please join Bertrand Chair Emeritus **Chris Leahy**, as we explore the refuge's freshwater wetland and upland habitats for migrant waterfowl, raptors, shorebirds, and passerines.

(Open to Terns, Guardians, President's, and Founder's Circle members)

Plum Island Fall Migration Birding, Newburyport, MA

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, FROM 7:30 AM TO 10:30 AM

Join Director of Important Bird Areas **Wayne Petersen** as we bird one of the best fall migration spots in the state. Plum Island and Parker River National Wildlife Refuge are attractive in fall to a wide variety of species, including waterfowl, raptors, shorebirds, and warblers. The extensive and varied habitats of this strategically located barrier island offer ideal stopover conditions for migrants along the coast, a pathway that many migrating birds follow in both spring and fall. Please note, we'll be parking across the street from Joppa Flats Education Center at the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge lot. We'll leave a few cars there and consolidate to caravan around Plum Island and the wildlife refuge. *(Open to Terns, President's, and Founder's Circle members)*

Unique Grasslands and Ecological Management, Marshfield, MA

Saturday, September 22, FROM 8:00 AM TO 10:00 AM

Join South Shore Sanctuaries Director **Sue MacCallum** as we explore the unique grassland habitats of Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuary in Marshfield. We will discuss ecological management work taking place to address invasive plant encroachment and do a bit of birding. A visit to the red maple swamp will highlight how rising sea levels may impact our coastlines in the future.

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Rutland Brook Natural History Walk, Petersham, MA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, FROM 10:00 AM TO 12:30 PM

Join Regional Property Director **Ron Wolanin** as he takes us on a walk exploring the flora and fauna of Rutland Brook Wildlife Sanctuary. Combined with neighboring conservation lands, Rutland Brook is part of one the most extensive parcels of uninterrupted protected land in central Massachusetts. Here, moderate-to-strenuous interlinking trails wind through cathedral-like stands of hemlock and white pine and along boulder-strewn Rutland Brook. The sanctuary is home to a large and impressive porcupine den at the base of a ledge. Please note, we will traverse some slightly steep trail sections.

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Annual Winter Open House – Save-The-Date!

Mass Audubon Shop, Lincoln

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, FROM 4:30 PM TO 7:00 PM

Please join us for a fun evening of discounted shopping, connecting with old and new friends, delicious hors d'oeuvres and festive beverages at our annual Winter Open House.

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**Please note, space is limited. RSVP soon
by contacting Sarah Arsenault at 781.259.2127 or sarsenault@massaudubon.org.
Transportation may be available, if needed. Please call to inquire.**