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MAY FIELD TRIPS

By Libby Mills

About the field trips

Beginning birders and friends are always welcome on Skagit Audubon field trips. Membership in Skagit Audubon is encouraged but not required for participation. Please be prepared for the weather with suitable clothing, and bring field guides, binoculars, and spotting scopes. Carpool whenever possible and contribute to the driver's expense. Watch the email reminders for the latest information, including any changes and/or additions to the field trip schedule. To be added to the email field trip list contact Libby Mills:

libbymills@gmail.com

If you plan to join a field trip some place other than the described starting point, call the trip leader the day before to ensure a successful rendezvous.

Trip plans may change!

Saturday, May 7

Barney Lake

Conservation Area

8:30 a.m. to Early Afternoon

Skagit Land Trust's 371-acre Barney Lake Conservation Area protects a variety of habitat from extensive wetlands to uplands, streams, and farmland

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MAY MEETING AND PROGRAM

The Northwest Saga of the Pacific Fisher by Alaina Kowitz

Tuesday, May 10, 2016
7:00 Social; 7:30 Program
Padilla Bay Interpretive Ctr.
10441 Bayview-Edison Road
Mt. Vernon, Washington



Pacific Fisher

Photo by John Jacobson

Pacific fishers are related to the smaller pine martens and larger wolverines. Fishers were heavily trapped for their fur throughout the 19th and 20th centuries, and extensive logging of the Northwest's old-growth forest devastated their habitat. By the 1930s, this small forest mammal, about the size of a house cat, had vanished from Washington's forests.

Starting in 2008, Conservation Northwest partnered with state agencies and other organizations to restore fishers to Washington state. This reintroduction effort has been largely successful and more reintroduction efforts are under way to fully restore this small carnivore to the Pacific Northwest ecosystems.

Alaina Kowitz is a communications and outreach associate for Conservation Northwest. She grew up in Northeast Washington and first became interested in wildlife conservation by following this state's gray wolf reintroductions and the complexities surrounding interfaces between wildlife and people. Alaina graduated from Gonzaga University in Spokane in 2015 with a degree in Environmental Studies, and is newly transplanted to Seattle to work for wildlands and wildlife conservation in the Pacific Northwest.



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Red-breasted
Sapsucker

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General membership meetings of the Skagit Audubon Society are held at the Padilla Bay Interpretive Center, 1043 Bayview-Edison Rd., Mt. Vernon, WA—7:00 PM Social/ 7:30 PM Program—on the second Tuesday of each month, September through June. The board of directors meets at the same location at 7:00 PM on the first Tuesday of each month.

Skagit Audubon Society (SAS) membership provides a local chapter affiliation and newsletter, **The Flyer**, for individuals who want all their funds to benefit their local chapter. Newsletters from additional chapters can be sought by contacting their websites and membership chairs from links at <http://wa.audubon.org/audubon-locations/>. **To join Skagit Audubon Society** use the **1st** form below.

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Skagit Audubon Society is a Chapter of the National Audubon Society. Our mission is to conserve and restore natural ecosystems, focusing on birds, other wildlife and their habitats for the benefit of humanity and the earth's biological diversity.

Skagit Audubon Society Membership Form

Annual membership in the Skagit Audubon Society includes 10 issues of our newsletter, *The Skagit Flyer*, available at: <http://www.skagitaudubon.org/newsletter>. Membership includes all members of your household.

Check one: \$20.00 one (1) year \$40.00 two (2) years

Additionally, I wish to donate to Skagit Audubon Society, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, in the amount of \$ _____

Donations of \$100.00 or more receive a personal field trip by a Skagit Audubon field trip leader.

Check one: New Membership Renewing Membership

Name _____

Address _____

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SAS does not share your contact information.

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\$20 for one-year introductory membership with one chapter affiliation

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

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National Audubon Society Y21
P.O. Box 97194
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For membership related questions and address:
Email: customerservice@audubon.org
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Pam Pritzl membership@skagitaudubon.org



Summer on the Shore observing PUMA's

Summer birding is on the way with song birds establishing territory and singing for mates, Ospreys remodeling their nests, swallows swooping and diving for insects, water birds in breeding plumage, and Turkey Vultures circling in kettles. These are just a few bird behaviors



Stan Kostka (left) & Mark Perry (right)
install PUMA boxes at Padilla Bay

observed in Skagit County now. Plan to observe birds this summer and volunteer for the Purple Martin monitoring team.

Skagit Audubon's Purple Martin project volunteers have installed additional nesting boxes at Ship Harbor in Anacortes, on Padilla Bay just north of the Interpretive Center and at English Boom on Camano. Last year all three of these sites had multiple nesting pairs. Purple Martins have been observed at these sites already this season. Monitoring of the boxes will run from June through August. You do not need to be an expert to volunteer. You do not need to commit to a schedule or certain time of day. This is a fun citizen science opportunity for you to participate in at your convenience. It's even more fun to do with a friend or your family. All you need is binoculars and all sites can be monitored easily from shore.

Monitoring the boxes helps to determine the number of nesting pairs at each site. Counting the nesting pairs will provide information on population trends for Purple Martins on the West Coast. Basically, you will be asked to observe the number of birds going in and out of boxes. You will be provided with a monitoring sheet for the site you would like to visit: Ship Harbor, Padilla Bay or English Boom, suggestions on what to look for and a diagram of the labeled boxes. You can even decide how you would like to report your observations, after each visit by email or at the end of August by mail. Our goal is to observe each site at least once a week for 45 minutes. So even if you can observe just a few days, you will be contributing to the data.

Purple Martins are so fun to see and hear. They are very social and vocal. During low tide you can walk closer to the boxes. These birds are very curious and will tolerate people close by. Watching the adults feeding the nestlings as they poke their heads out of the boxes is better than a summer blockbuster! Okay, I do get excited about birds. I hope you're excited to participate. Please contact me at irene@skagitaudubon.org on the site you're interested in monitoring. Make a difference this summer.

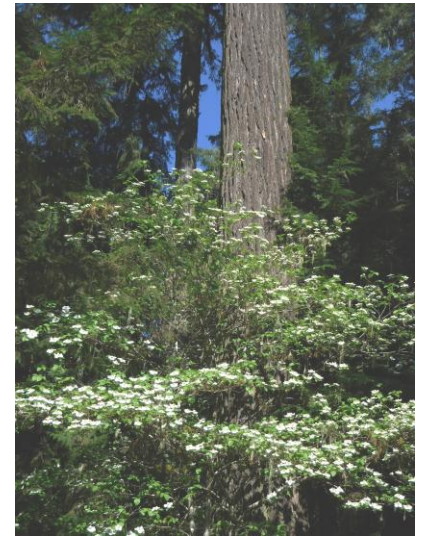


SKAGIT AUDUBON MAY CONSERVATION REPORT

By **TIM MANNS, CONSERVATION CHAIR**

Tomorrow's April 23rd deadline for the *Skagit Flyer* falls right after Earth Day, and I'm glad I could celebrate the 22nd leading a bird walk in Rockport State Park. That remnant of ancient forest an hour east of Mount Vernon is at once a place of serenity and a powerful reminder of what we've lost and what we need to protect.

Washington's Growth Management Act (GMA) of 1990 requires local governments to manage growth by identifying and protecting critical areas and natural resource lands, designating urban growth areas, and preparing comprehensive plans and development regulations. This approach to growth management is unique among states. The GMA's intent is to protect the environment and quality of life while providing for sustainable economic development. Skagit County is updating its Comprehensive Plan, looking out 20 years, and Skagit Audubon Society submitted comments supporting several updated sections. We urge the county to implement the 2009 Urban Growth Area Open Space Concept Plan, which outlines a concerted approach to protecting open space and establishing trail corridors connecting developed parts of the county. These routes could play a significant role as wildlife corridors linking areas of habitat as well as enhancing opportunities for walkers bicyclists, and others. Skagit Audubon's letter also supported the inclusion of reference to climate change (not all commenters did!) and the importance of anticipating its effects in the county. The Comprehensive Plan includes a Transportation Element with a significant section on non-motorized projects (trails, pathways, etc.) which some vocal citizens of Skagit County oppose at every opportunity but we see as important environmentally and encouraging human health and, again, potentially providing wildlife corridors. You can help support



Dogwood and Douglas Fir
Photo by Tim Manns

these good planning changes by simply showing up at the Skagit County Planning Commission's meetings on the Comprehensive Plan Update May 10 or 11.



Clayton Beach, Larrabee State Park
Photo by Tim Manns

Also nearing the end of an extended revision process is the county's Shoreline Master Program, required under the Shoreline Management Act of 1972. Shoreline master programs carry out the Shoreline Management Act at the local level, regulating use and development of marine shorelines and of freshwater shorelines along waterways and lakes over a certain size. This will be the first update since the mid-1970's. Skagit Audubon submitted comments in April, generally praising the revision. We appreciate the emphasis on no net loss of shoreline ecological functions and the encouragement to restore these important habitats. In late April a University of Washington study came out further confirming that

shoreline armoring adversely affects the marine ecosystem. It is disappointing that the Shoreline Management Act has significant loopholes that continue to allow hard armoring in some instances.

Both the Comprehensive Plan update and the Shoreline Master Program revision rouse the anti-government, anti-planning people who see any regulation of property rights as a gross imposition. Ironically, some of the same people decry loss of farmland to development or decline in fishing or other activities they enjoy and that they apparently imagine can go on without regulation. Audubon has an important role to play in standing up for the public good and speaking for the natural world that can't speak for itself.



March 25 through April 22, 2016

This column reports submitted sightings. Any rare sightings should be accompanied by detailed written documentation and if possible a photograph. A second person to verify rare sightings is extremely helpful. Do not hesitate to call any observer to help document unusual sightings. Also, do not hesitate to call if you need clarification on locations.

Please submit your sightings to Pam Pritzl: 360-387-7024 or birdsightings@skagitaudubon.org

WATERFOWL

Greater White-fronted Goose 11 at Skagit Wildlife Management Area on 4-20 (RK)

Wood Duck pair on Northern State Recreation Area wetland on 4-7 (RH); 5 male and 2 female on Johnson-Debay slough on 4-13 (RH); 16 at Skagit Wildlife Management Area on 4-20 (RK)

Blue-winged Teal 1 at Skagit Wildlife Management Area on 4-20 (RK)

Cinnamon Teal 4 at Skagit Wildlife Management Area on 4-7 (JB); 2 at Skagit Wildlife Management Area on 4-20 (RK)

Long-tailed Duck a pair on Fidalgo Bay on 4-21 (BB)

PELICANS

American White Pelican 21 in Padilla Bay, north of Bayview on 4-13 (RK, LM); 21 at Padilla Bay on 4-15 (GB)

UNUSUAL in Skagit County

HERONS & ALLIES

American Bittern 4 on Northern State Recreation Area wetland on 4-7 (RH)

OSPREYS

Osprey pair fishing and nest building at Ship Harbor on 4-14 (DJ)

HAWKS, EAGLES, & ALLIES

Red-tailed Hawk 1 Harlan's at Corkindale Creek on 3-28 (RM)

Golden Eagle 1 at Jackson Creek Road on 4-3 (GB); 1 at Martin Road on 4-3 (GB)

OYSTERCATCHERS

Black Oystercatcher 4 at Washington Park, Anacortes on 4-6 (LE)

PLOVERS

Semipalmated Plover 9 at March Point on 4-15 (RK)

Killdeer 5 on Burlington Industrial wetland on 4-7 (RH)

SANDPIPERS, PHALAROPES, & ALLIES

Whimbrel 1 at Padilla Bay boat launch on 4-15 (LM); 50 at Rekdal farm field, Camano Island on 4-20 (PP)

Long-billed Curlew 1 at March Point on 3-27 and 4-2 (GB)

Marbled Godwit 1 at March Point on 3-27 and 4-2 (GB)

ALCIDS

Pigeon Guillemot 6 on Coupeville dock on 3-31 (RH)

GULLS & TERNS

Caspian Tern many at Padilla Bay on 4-15 (LM); 4 on

Leque Island on 4-20 (SRP)

PIGEONS & DOVES

Band-tailed Pigeon 2 at Mount Vernon home on 4-17 (JA)

OWLS

Great Horned Owl 2 downy young sitting in nest at Skagit Wildlife Management Area on 4-20 (RK)

Burrowing Owl 1 at Port Susan Bay on 4-5 (JO)

RARE in western WA

WOODPECKERS

Red-breasted Sapsucker 1 at Clear Lake boat launch on 4-18 (RH)

FLYCATCHERS

Pacific-slope Flycatcher 1 at Illabot Creek on 4-16 (GB); 12 on Padilla Bay uplands on 4-20 (LM)

Say's Phoebe 2 at Hurn Field, Concrete on 3-20 (GB);

1 at Marblemount northern fields on 3-20 (GB); 1 at Healy Road on 3-21 (GB); 1 at Martin Ranch on 3-28 (RM); 1 at Marblemount on 3-28 and 4-1 (RM); 2 at

Sauk Prairie on 3-28 (RM)

SWALLOWS

Purple Martin 1 adult male at Padilla Bay on 4-17 (SK, MIP); 3 at Anacortes Ferry Terminal on 4-17 (GB); 3 pair at English Boom, Camano Island on 4-18 (PP)

Tree Swallow 5 on Lake Campbell on 3-31 (RH)

Barn Swallow 4 at Padilla Bay on 4-20 (LM)

THRUSHES

Western Bluebird 2 at Darrington on 3-28 (RM)

Mountain Bluebird 3 at Bryson Road on 3-28 (RM); 4 at Martin Ranch on 3-28 (RM); 2 at Marblemount on 4-1 (RM)

PIPITS

American Pipit 1 at Samish-West 90 on 4-17 (RK)

WARBLERS

Nashville Warbler 1 at Skagit Wildlife Management Area on 4-20 (RK)

Yellow-rumped Warbler 1 "Myrtle" and 2

"Audubon's" at Skagit Wildlife Management Area on 4-20 (RK)

Wilson's Warbler 1 at Mt. Vernon home on 4-16 (JA)

SPARROWS & ALLIES

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American Tree Sparrow 1 at Martin Road on 3-20 and 3-26 (GB); 1 at Martin Road on 3-28 (RM)

Vesper Sparrow 1 at Marblemount boat launch on 4-16 (GB)

White-throated Sparrow 1 at Burlington home throughout sighting period (LE); 1 at Skagit Wildlife Management Area on 4-20 (RK)

BLACKBIRDS and ORIOLES

Red-winged Blackbird 10 pair on Northern State Recreation wetland on 4-7 (RH)

Brown-headed Cowbird 2 at Camano Island home on 4-18 (SRP); 2 at Padilla Bay on 4-20 (LM)

FINCHES & ALLIES

American Goldfinch 2 at Camano Island home on 4-18 (SRP)

Evening Grosbeak 6 males on Butler Hill on 4-1 (RH); 15 at Mount Vernon home on 4-22 (JA)

(JA) Jean Ashby; (BB) Bob Barry; (JB) Joan Bird; (GB) Gary Bletsch; (LE) Larry Edwards; (RH) Ron Holmes; (DJ) Don Jonasson; (RK) Robert Kuntz; (SK) Stan Kostka; (LM) Libby Mills; (RM) Ryan Merrill; (JO) Jeff Osmundson; (MIP) Mark & Irene Perry; (PP) Pam Pritzl; (RSP) Ron & Sheila Pera

SKAGIT AUDUBON HIKING ~ MAY

BY JOAN MELCHER

Hikes in May will take us from the foothills of the Cascades to the salt water. As usual, weather, logging, construction or other unexpected conditions might cause changes or cancellations in the following hikes. All the hikes are on Wednesdays. Dogs are discouraged on Audubon-sponsored hikes. If dogs are on a hike, they must be on a leash at all times. Call **JOAN MELCHER 360-424-0407** or e-mail at jdmelcher@comcast.net for information on or questions about the following hikes.

WED. - MAY 4 – HEATHER LAKE

Hike to and around a scenic lake at an elevation of 2,400 ft. off the Mountain Loop Highway near Mt. Pilchuck. It is a 4.8 mile round trip with a 1,000 ft. elevation gain. Meet at 8 a.m. in the Mt. Vernon Safeway parking lot, though Seattle /Snohomish County/Camano Island hikers can go directly to the trailhead. For faster hikers, return to the trailhead at 1 p.m.; for slower hikers return at 2:30 p.m. Please carpool accordingly.

A Federal Northwest Forest Pass or a Senior Pass will also work for parking.

WED. - MAY 11 - BAKER RIVER

Hike along the Baker River to Sulfide Creek, entering the North Cascades National Park along the way. Dogs are not permitted on the National Park section of the trail. It is 5 miles round trip, with a 300 ft. elevation gain. Meet at 8:30 a.m. on the east side of the Sedro-Woolley Food Pavilion parking lot. If you do just the river hike, return to the trailhead at 1:30 p.m.; make a 2:00 p.m. return if you also walk south to Hidden Creek on the north Baker Lake Trail.

A Federal Northwest Forest Pass or a Senior Pass will also work for parking.

WED. - MAY 18 - EBEBY'S LANDING and THE KETTLES AT FORT EBEBY STATE PARK

This hike will be done in two sections. Each car of hikers will be its own group, so plan on riding with others who will do the same hikes you do. The first hike will be a 3.6 mile loop hike up the bluff, down to the beach, and back to the cars. There is a low tide of about 1.1 feet at 9:17 a.m.. One can add 2 miles to this hike by walking to the cemetery and back. The next hike will be a self-guided hike on the Kettles trails near Fort Ebey State Park. Miles hiked here depend on the individual. There should be wild rhododendrons in bloom. Meet at 9 a.m. at the March Point Park-n-Ride. (At the stop light at the intersection of HWY 20 and the Christianson and March Point

Roads, turn North and then an immediate RIGHT turn onto the frontage road and soon turn LEFT into the Park-n-Ride.) **OR** meet at Ebey's Landing at 9:45 a.m. **A Discover Pass is required to park at Fort Ebey State Park and at Ebey's Landing parking lot.**

**WED. - MAY 25 - ROSS DAM TO DIABLO DAM
—GOOD NEWS—**

This trail is now open below the slide area near the base of Ross Dam so we can do the one-way hike from above Ross Dam to below Diablo Dam. Hike about 7 miles one way along the north side of Diablo Lake between Ross Dam and the community of Diablo. One can hike mostly downhill from Ross to Diablo. Though there is a 900 ft. elevation gain; there is a 2,200 ft. elevation loss **or** one can hike mostly uphill from Diablo to Ross, making a 2,200 ft. elevation gain; with a 900 ft. elevation loss. Drivers will exchange keys. Meet at 7:30 a.m. on the east side of the Sedro-Woolley Food Pavilion parking lot. Return to Diablo trailhead by 2:30 pm.

WED. - JUNE 1- ORCAS ISLAND

This hike is 8 or more miles with up to a 1,600 ft. elevation gain. Several hike options will be available in Moran State Park. Return on the 5:15 p.m. ferry or if you wish to have dinner in Eastsound, return on the later 7:50 p.m. ferry. Meet at 6:30 a.m. at the March Point Park-n-Ride. (At the stop light at the intersection of HWY 20 and the Christianson and March Point Roads, turn North and then an immediate RIGHT turn onto the frontage road and soon turn LEFT into the Park-n-Ride.) We will take the 7:30 a.m. sailing from Anacortes to Orcas Island. No ferry walk-ons as we will need cars on the island. Ferry fare is required.

A Washington State Discover Pass is required to park in Moran State Park. !!!FERRY CAR RESERVATIONS NEED TO BE MADE EARLY!!!



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just east of Mt. Vernon. Skagit Audubon and its members have been instrumental in adding to this protected area. We'll visit one or more parts of the preserve, particularly looking for Warblers, Vireos, and other neotropical migrants recently returned as well as resident species. Read about Barney Lake Conservation Area at:

<http://www.skagitlandtrust.org/properties/barney-lake.aspx>.

Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes for walking over uneven ground. Bring binoculars. A spotting scope may be useful but isn't essential. Meet in the eastern portion of the PETCO parking lot in Mt. Vernon off College Way just east of I-5 Exit 227. We'll form carpools there.

Leader: Tim Manns, 360-336-8753 or
conservation@skagitaudubon.org

Saturday May 21

Cumberland Creek

Skagit Land Trust Preserve Property

8:00 a.m. to Early Afternoon

Join us as we walk on freshly mown trails through the very green riparian forest by the Skagit River and Cumberland Creek. This is a 20 minute drive from Sedro Woolley. We will meet at 8:00 a.m. in the SE corner of the parking lot at the Food Pavilion off Highway 20 as you enter Sedro-Woolley from the west on Highway 20. Carpools will be formed there.

This will be an avian concert with a nice variety of songbirds, from Warblers and Waxwings, Tanagers and Swallows to Vireos and Woodpeckers.

We will walk on uneven, but mowed ground for about two miles. Hiking shoes are better than tennis shoes. Dress for the weather. Bring binoculars, a sack lunch, and water, and maybe a "sit-upon" for a break along the river.

The Skagit Land Trust began this purchase of over 200 acres at Cumberland Creek in 2005. They have continued work on it through 2013 and have cooperated with many partners to enhance the salmon habitat there. Emerson High School students have been key in creating the interpretive hiking trail used to visit the area.

<http://www.skagitlandtrust.org/properties/cumberland-creek.aspx> **Leaders: Keith & Jan**

Wiggers, jkwiggers@gmail.com

Jim Johnson, Steward for Skagit Land Trust

EDUCATION GRANT RECEIVED

The Skagit Community Foundation has awarded the Skagit Audubon Society Education Committee a \$1,500 grant. This will support our various educational activities within the region; including purchase of additional educational materials to enhance both our youth and adult programs. Skagit Community Foundation focuses its attention on local issues and provides resources to meet changing community needs. The foundation collaborates with organizations and corporations to provide support and funds to over 40 community groups. Their long term goal is to secure discretionary resources to meet changing community needs. Skagit Audubon Society Education Committee is excited to be a part of the foundation's network by providing nature programs designed to connect the community to birds and the environment.

GRAND COULEE HIKES, OCT. 8 ~ 9

Join **Gene Kiver** and **Bruce Bjornstad**, authors of "**On the Trail of the Ice Age Floods**" (Vol. 2), for one or two days of hiking in the Grand Coulee. Sign up for one or both hikes. We will explore the Northrup Canyon on Sat. Oct. 8 and Candy Point on Sun. Oct. 9 in the town of Grand Coulee. Northrup Canyon is a 7.2 mile-round-trip hike through a side canyon to Northrup Lake and the plateau surface above. The catastrophic Glacial Lake Missoula Floods created the bizarre landscape in Grand Coulee and other areas in the Channeled Scabland of eastern Washington. Meet at the trailhead at 9:30 a.m.

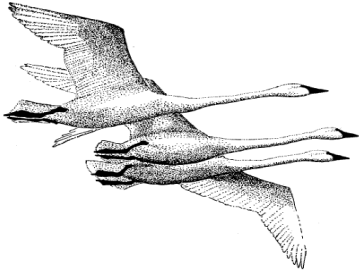
A Discover pass is required on all vehicles.

The Candy Point hike follows a short, but steep trail built by the CCC in the 1930s and leads a few hundred feet up to an outstanding view of the Grand Coulee Dam complex. Seen are the interaction of Ice Age glaciers, catastrophic floods, and the lava bedrock of the area. The dam complex, also viewed, was made possible by the combination of geologic events. Meet at trailhead at 9:30 am. Overnight camping is available at Steamboat Rock State Park for those wishing to do both days of hiking. **A Discover Pass is required for all vehicles.** Motels are also available in nearby Grand Coulee.

Contact the **Field Trip Registrar: Linda** at lindakl@centurytel.net or **Gene Kiver** frogghollow@sisna.com for more details.



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

**GRAND COULEE HIKES
OCTOBER 8 ~ 9, 2016**

Sat., Oct. 8, 2016 ~ Northrup Canyon
Sun., Oct. 9, 2016 ~ Candy Point Hike
Join authors, Gene Kiver & Bruce Bjornstad,
of “On the Trail of the Ice Age Floods” (Vol. 2)
For two days of hiking in the Grand Coulee.”
See Page 7 for more information!

May 2016 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 SAS Board Meeting: 7:00 PM	4 Hike: Heather Lake	5	6	7 Field Trip: Barney Lake Conservation Area
8	9	10 General Meeting: 7:00 PM Social 7:30 PM Meeting	11 Hike: Baker River	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Hike: Ebey’s Landing & the Kettles at Ft. Ebey State Park	19	20	21 Field Trip: Cumberland Creek Skagit Land Trust Preserve Property
22	23	24	25 Hike: Ross Dam to Diablo Dam	26	27	28
29	30	31	June 1 Hike: Orcas Island	June 2	June 3	June 4

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