

NEW BIRD SPECIES DISCOVERED “JUST IN TIME”

Cambridge, UK, Tuesday, August 17, 2004: A new species of bird has been discovered on a remote island in the northern Philippines, by a team of Filipino and British wildlife researchers. The Calayan Rail is a relative of the internationally familiar Moorhen, with bright red beak and legs contrasting strikingly with its dark plumage. But unlike its familiar relative, the Calayan Rail is flightless, or nearly so, and found only on the small island after which it is named.

The bird may be new to science, but is well known to local people, by the name ‘Piding’. Although apparently not under immediate pressure, the small known population and limited distribution of the species make it vulnerable to habitat loss and introduced predators. Eighteen of the 20 living species of flightless rail are considered threatened, and the majority of rail species which have become extinct since 1600 were also flightless.

The Babuyan Islands Expedition team were surveying the birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians of the island group when they discovered the rail in lowland forest on the island of Calayan, at an altitude of 300 meters. Calayan was last visited by ornithologists one hundred years ago, in 1903-04.

On 11 May 2004, bird team member Carmela Española was walking in the forest when she saw a small group of unfamiliar dark brown birds with distinctive orange-red bills and legs in undergrowth near a stream. She then saw two more birds cross the trail and begin turning over dried leaves with their bills. Her notes and photographs, and recordings of their loud, harsh, rasping calls, later helped show that the species was not only new to her, but also new to science. “I felt sure the Babuyan Islands would hold some interesting discoveries, but I didn’t expect to find a totally new species!” Genevieve Broad, the co-leader of the expedition, said. “I’m thrilled for the team. I hope this will bring the

recognition these islands deserve as an important site of biological diversity.” She added that the Calayan community is concerned about the future of the island’s environment and natural resources. “We received a lot of support from local people including the Mayor, who would like to see the island and the sea around it protected.”

The Babuyan Islands Expedition team saw adult and juvenile birds on several occasions over the following days, within a two-kilometer range of their rainforest camp, and estimated there are probably 100-200 pairs in the area. The sightings were made in forest with coralline limestone outcrops, caves and small streams. The team took photographs and video footage of the birds in the wild, and of one young female in the hand, together with detailed measurements.

The Calayan Rail appears to be nearly or completely flightless. Birds were seen in undergrowth or out on open trails, alone and in family groups. The Okinawa Rail from the Japanese Ryukyu Islands is the most similar rail in appearance, but there are distinct differences in voice and color pattern. (*NEW BIRD SPECIES, continued on page 7*)

OCTOBER

FLATHEAD AUDUBON CALENDAR

Monday, October 11, 2004: Flathead Audubon General Meeting begins at 7PM at the Summit, conference room #3.

Tuesday, October 5, 2004: Flathead Audubon Board of Directors meeting, 6PM at Jane Lopp & Associates Building, 295 3rd Ave. EN, Kalispell.

Saturday, October 16, 2004: FAS/Prudential Challenge work party at Owen Sowerwine Natural Area (see page 3 for details).

BIRD OF THE MONTH

NATURE'S CLEAN-UP CREW

Although United States is home to three kinds of vultures, the California Condor, the Black Vulture, and the Turkey Vulture, only the Turkey Vulture is found in Western Montana. These seasonal residents usually head south with the Autumnal Equinox and return with the Vernal Equinox and, like the Capistrano Swallows, often return to their roost on that exact day. Turkey Vultures can often be spotted on fence posts or in trees near road-killed game. At 25-32 inches and with a naked red head, they are easy to identify. In flight they can be recognized by the dihedral (V) shape of their wings and by the fact that they seldom flap their wings, rather relying on thermals and updrafts to keep them aloft. TVs feel the air with the wing-tip fingers, allowing them a soaring skill much admired and envied by experienced glider pilots.



The Turkey Vulture is family-oriented and a group of vultures living together and sleeping at night in a tall tree is called a roost. Some roosts are known to be 100 years or more old. This means that the same family has used the same tree or trees as home for many generations. However, during nesting, a mating, monogamous pair goes off by themselves to lay two eggs and raise their young. They do not build nests as such, but rather, lay the eggs on the bare ground. Nests are often found on ledges on the face of a cliff, in a cave, a hollow tree or even an abandoned building.

When there is a big feast available, TVs somehow contact neighboring roosts to share. One observation near three dead cows reported three roosts feasting until the carcasses were clean. They also seem to like human contact and often choose roost sites near humans. Turkey Vultures that have been injured and taken to rehab often become attached to their handlers and follow them around much like a pet dog.

Although the Turkey Vulture has acquired a reputation for vomiting, the truth is that it seldom regurgitates. However, if it is cornered and feels threatened, a TV may roll over and play dead or it may project an offensive smelling vomit in a defensive manner. Mostly silent except when threatened, TV's hiss to warn off enemies. Otherwise, the Turkey Vulture is a very clean bird. Studies have shown that each bird spends up to 3 hours per day preening itself and they will bathe in water whenever they can. Large flocks have been observed going into a pond for a bath. They submerge, scrub, preen and shake and then walk up on shore to spread their wings in the sun for drying.

Turkey Vultures can locate carcasses by smell, a trait that is unusual in the bird world. They also have keen eyesight and search visually as well. Although we tend to spot them most often eating carrion, up to 50% of their diet consists of vegetation. Lacking claw strength, the TV cannot and does not kill and its beak has neither the shape nor the strength to tear into a fresh carcass. *Cathartes aura*, the TV's scientific name means "pacifier" or "cleanser" and the Cherokee Nation calls this bird "peace eagle," because unlike the eagle, which it resembles from a distance, it does not kill. The TV's digestive system has the unique ability to kill any virus and bacteria in its food. Tests performed by the USDA during a hog cholera epidemic

in the south proved that the droppings and dry pellets that are regurgitated are clean and disease free. The pellets, smaller than a chicken egg, consist of dried hair, bone and vegetation and are odorless. Animal food items in the pellets that were examined included shrews, moles, squirrels, gophers, mice, rats, rabbits, birds, reptiles, insects, muskrats, opossum, raccoon, skunk, badgers and coyotes. Imagine the potential for the spread of disease (and the bad smell!) if these carcasses had rotted on the ground rather than being consumed and sterilized by the TV's. Because of this unique sterilization ability, researchers are currently testing to see if digestion by a TV can disinfect rodent carcasses carrying Hantavirus. This research could be of great significance to human medical research and may lead to vital information for use in the event of biological warfare or a worldwide epidemic.



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I'm grateful to have these resourceful birds help keep our earth clean and disease free, aren't you?

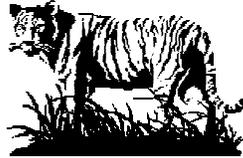
Information for this article was obtained from the Turkey Vulture Society website at: www.accutek.com/vulture/facts

Jeannie Marcure

October 2004 Program

Kenya's "Garden of Eden" Through the Lens of Steve Carlisle

Join Flathead Audubon for a life sanctuary, the Masai Mara Game wildlife, the Masai Mara, about the size mosaic of ecosystems intact with all the recent safari to the "dark continent," Ste-fast film to capture the beauty and won-unfettered in their native habitat of east Africa. On the way over, we'll swing by the islands of Darwin's "Eureka!" moment, the Galapagos, for a photographic scan of this most unique sanctuary.



photographic safari to Africa's premier wild-Reserve. A stronghold of Africa's legendary of Connecticut, is big enough to contain a species native to this part of Africa. On his ve used a big gun, his 600 mm lens, and der of teeming wildlife, freely roaming and

This is Steve's second presentation to Flathead Audubon, having enthralled us last May with his captivating portfolio of Antarctica's bird life. We are pleased to have Steve kindly return to share more of his personal quest to photograph the beauty in nature. Few photographers have an aptitude for capturing the "essence" of wild animals, and this is precisely where Steve Carlisle excels. His photographs will gladden your heart. We will reserve time for comments and questions after Steve's 40-minute presentation.

Carlisle moved to Kalispell in 1943. One of his hobbies is nature photography. He practices psychiatry on the side.



BIGFORK BIRD FESTIVAL



The second annual Bigfork Bird Festival was held on the second weekend of June this year. It was well attended by Montanans and people in the Flathead Valley. There was an increase of about 10 people over 2003, for a total of 40 people at the key note dinner, where Dan Casey was featured. The field trips attracted about the same number of people as in 2003.

The event is produced by the Bigfork Area Chamber of Commerce with the goal of bringing in more people to the Bigfork area during a slow time of year. The Bigfork Chamber's challenge is to im-

prove the marketing of the event, which so far has to be done mostly through public relations. The Bird Festival was featured this year in Montana Magazine and should be in an upcoming Birds and Blooms feature article. Flathead Audubon sets up all the field trips and gets the volunteer guides to lead them. Many thanks to Leslie Kehoe and the volunteer guides for all of their donated time to help make it a success. The Festival has been very well received by those who have attended and we look forward to the next one in 2005!

From Andrea Goff



A WIN-WIN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP FLATHEAD AUDUBON

Monthly, beginning with the Flathead Audubon meeting in November, we will have our utility trailer in the north parking lot of the Summit, waiting for you to drive by and hand us your recyclables that you have saved up over the month. We will take everything we receive to the recycling center and ask them to donate all proceeds to Flathead Audubon. Even if you live in a tiny apartment and only generate one milk jug, pop can, and newspaper a month, bring them anyway. Think of the gas and time saved from making individual trips to the recycling center! Think of the extra space you'll find in your home! Think of adding a new CD to an education trunk, or putting Audubon Adventures into one more classroom, just with our collective "junk!" We will take cardboard boxes, newspapers, milk jugs, aluminum and steel cans, cereal boxes, plastic and paper grocery bags, etc. (We don't have any way right now to deal with glass and grass clippings.) Look for the green Chevy truck with the trailer that looks like it's been through a war. It's an easy way to help yourself, Flathead Audubon, and the planet! From Brent and Kay Mitchell

REMINDER!

Help Flathead Audubon meet the Prudential Challenge for Global Volunteer Day! If we can get 20 people to work 2 hours on Saturday, October 16th, at Owen Sowerwine Natural Area, Bob and Jane Lopp for Prudential Insurance will donate \$1,000 to Flathead Audubon. Meet at 9AM in the parking lot of Montessori School on Willow Glen Drive, rain or shine. Your presence is so valuable!

FROM THE BOARD: **BOB LOPP**

FLATHEAD AUDUBON VICE PRESIDENT

Every morning I am awakened by birds at the feeder outside our bedroom. The drapes go up and I watch a house finch fluffed out sitting on the railing, waiting for the sun to come up and warm it up. One of the house finches has a top knot of messed up feathers, born with a bad feather day.

Later in the day, chaos breaks out. Twenty to thirty Pine Siskins descend on the feeder, bent more on fighting than on eating. One or two chase all other Siskins away from their side of the feeder. It must be "Mother" saying, "get lost, teenager, get your own food." It is easy to personalize what you see at the feeder!

I have been watching birds since I was ten or eleven, growing up on Flathead Lake. Everything I saw outdoors was fascinating. I was ice skating on the bay one day and Dad asked, "why do you spend more time watching the spiders on the ice than really skating?" Well, they were more interesting!

Identifying birds is part of "Birding," but a "Life List" is only a small part of birding for me. Catching enough of a glimpse of a bird hiding 90 feet above you can be very frustrating, but just quietly sitting watching what a bird does is fascinating. In the spring, I drive out to Smith Lake, park by some trees and watch the holes in the trees. Soon a beak will show and a bird checks for safety and then flies out to catch food for the fledglings in the nest. If the parents are late, a little head will also peak out. "Where is dinner?"

Adults often make birding too much work! Kids often have more curiosity and are less judgmental about nature. Just watching life around you is fascinating! Guess what is going on and then see what happens! Hey, what is that raucous noise? Oh, the Blue Jay just flew in. Wow, what color and attitude!

If creatures and plants are the small wheels and cogs of the earth, then what mechanic would discard parts, simply because he doesn't know what they are for?



MONTANA AUDUBON REPORT

The fall board meeting of Montana Audubon was held on September 18, 2004, in Helena. Bob Lopp represented Flathead Audubon and serves on the Administration and Finance Committee, and the Education Committee. Montana Audubon serves the 10 chapters in Montana with several state-wide programs: Conservation Advocacy, Education, Science, and Bird Conservation. Last April, Director Ray Johnson retired amid controversy over budget deficits that had accumulated during the past three years without knowledge of the Board. Janet Ellis was appointed Interim Director, in addition to her responsibilities for Conservation Advocacy. Bob Petty, Paul Belanger, and Jeff Marks cover the other programs as well as grant writing and fund raising for their programs. The staff positions for Development Director and Office Manager have not been filled. Ongoing discussions with the National Audubon Society should lead to a resolution of the budget issues. The next negotiating meeting is tentatively set for October 19th in Missoula. Bob Lopp is a member of the committee, led by Attorney, Betsy Griffing.

The Board approved the dates of June 3-5, 2005, for the Montana Bird Festival in Kalispell. The festival will be hosted by Flathead Audubon, Mission Mountain Audubon and the Bigfork Chamber.

 **CONGRATULATIONS!** 

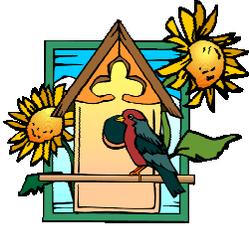
Flathead Audubon sends Best Wishes to the following members:

KIM DAVIS: Walmart Montana Educator of the Year, teacher at West Valley School

KIM MITCHELL: Rural Educator of the Year, teacher at Pleasant Valley School

VONNIE & SCOTT MCDONALD: New Parents of Tyler, born 9/12/2004

FLATHEAD AUDUBON'S ANNUAL



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This sale is Flathead Audubon's primary fund-raising project and your purchase will help fund local conservation and educational programs.

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DELIVERY--OCTOBER 30

Bigfork (837-1456)-----IGA Parking Lot-----9:00-9:30 AM
Columbia Falls (387-4150)-Glacier Bank-----10:30-11:00AM
Whitefish (862-8070)----Train Depot-----11:30-Noon
Kalispell (755-3704)-----Fairgrounds North End-1:30-3:30 PM
Swan Valley (754-2289) Call June Ash for pickup information
Eureka (889-3492)---Call Lewis Young for pickup information

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Number of Sacks: _____ @ \$17 = Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

I will pick up my order Saturday, October 30 at (check one)

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Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Are you a member of Flathead Audubon? Yes ___ No ___

If you are not a member, you can join for only \$15. Use the form on back of the newsletter.

The public is always welcome at our chapter meetings on the second Monday of each month, September through May, 7PM at the Summit in Kalispell. Come and enjoy our interesting programs and "bird chatter."

- Education services to schools
- Workshops for local teachers on bird units for the classroom
- "Beauty of Birds" class for adults each spring, partnered with Kalispell District #5
- Scholarships for environmental education
- Support and management of the Owen Soverwine Natural Area
- Financial assistance for the care and monitoring of local wildlife refuges, including the new Lost Trail National Wildlife Refuge
- Research grants for field studies of birds and bird habitat

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The Calayan Rail may be classified as 'Vulnerable' under the World Conservation Union (IUCN) Red List criteria for species of conservation concern. Although they are not thought to be under immediate threat, the development of roads on the island may lead to new settlements, resulting in loss of habitat and the introduction of predators such as cats and rats. Such alien predators have been implicated in the majority of flightless rail extinctions. The Expedition team plans to undertake further research to determine the conservation habitat requirements, distribution and population numbers of the rail, while working closely with local communities to minimize threats and to encourage long-term initiatives to protect the forest.

Josh Cole of the Rufford Small Grant committee, who provided funding for the expedition,

commented, "We are delighted that our involvement in funding conservation work on the island has helped in such a significant scientific discovery." Nigel Collar of BirdLife International said, "The discovery of the Calayan Rail is a wonderful demonstration that the world has much to reveal to us yet. However, these newly discovered species are nearly always at risk from human influence, because most are on islands or mountains, where their ranges are naturally quite small. The Calayan Rail is another species that we have discovered just in time, another case for long-term care by human society. I warmly congratulate the team on their extraordinary and beautiful find."

Photographs are available from BirdLife International at: www.birdlife.org/new/pr/2004/08/calayan_rail.html



Great opportunities to help others seldom come, but small ones surround us daily.

Sally Koch



*Help thy brother's boat across,
And lo,
Thine own has reached the shore!
Hindu Proverb*

2004 Audubon Fieldtrips—A Success!

Thanks to the many Audubon members who volunteered their time to lead one or more of our twenty-five 2004 Audubon fieldtrips. While most of our fieldtrips are listed in the spring and summer, there is growing interest in fall and winter outings. The last summer fieldtrip was on September 11 along the Autumn Creek Trail in Glacier National Park. Ignoring the threat of heavy rain, ten participants met at the Belton Depot and carpoled to the trailhead at Marias Pass. We hiked an easy two miles into Glacier Park and between light rain showers saw cedar waxwings, juncos, various chickadees, and a group of perhaps teals on Three Bears Lake. No bears! Returning to the trailhead, five members of our group decided to hike another 5.6 miles down to an awaiting car on Highway #2 south of Marias Pass. A great day!

During the fall and winter of 2004, I would like to offer our members and the general public some opportunities to hike and observe birds and other wildlife. We need volunteers to lead fieldtrips during the months of October and November. Let's keep this successful year going! Following is a simple fieldtrip form that you can complete and send to me. I will then notify our newsletter staff and perhaps join you on your hike. Thanks!

From Jim Swab, Field Trip Coordinator

AUDUBON FIELD TRIP-----We need your help!
Can you lead one fieldtrip this fall, winter, or in 2005?

Birding Location _____
2004 Fall___ 2004 Winter___ 2005 Spring___ 2005 Summer___
Your name _____
Phone _____ E-mail address _____



Send to: Jim Swab, 988 Lake Drive, Columbia Falls, 59912 or suejim@bigsky.net or 387-4299

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004

	Fiscal	PROPOSED	
	BUDGET	YEAR TO DATE	BUDGET
	FOR 2003-4	30-Jun-04	FOR 2004-2005
INCOME			
DUES SHARE FROM NATIONAL AUDUBON	\$850	\$1,430	\$1,500
LOCAL DUES (\$15 PER MEMBERSHIP)	\$750	\$1,125	\$1,000
BEAUTY OF BIRDS CLASS	\$185	\$478	\$185
MAY RAFFLE FOR OWEN SOWERWINE NATURAL AREA		\$453	\$250
BIGFORK FESTIVAL	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
SALES OF CALENDARS ETC.	\$460	\$424	\$500
BIRD SEED SALES	\$6,000	\$5,717	\$6,000
TRANSFER FROM EDUCATION FUND FOR SPEAKERS ¹	\$150	\$150	\$150
CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT (\$5 FROM EACH PARTICIPANT)	\$265	\$250	\$250
RECYCLE	\$63	\$35	\$60
TOTAL	\$9,723	\$11,061	\$10,895
DONATIONS IN			
GRANT FROM PRUDENTIAL FOUNDATION ²	\$1,000	\$1,000	
OTHER	\$500	\$285	\$500
TOTAL	\$1,500	\$1,285	\$500
INCOME FROM OPERATING FUND	\$525		\$140
TOTAL INCOME	\$11,748	\$12,346	\$11,535
EXPENSES			
DONATIONS OUT			
GRANTS FOR RESEARCH AND PUBLICITY	\$500	\$702	\$500
GRANT TO MT AUDUBON ³	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
SCHOLARSHIPS	\$250	\$80	\$250
TRANSFER TO OWEN SOWERWINE FUND	\$400	\$400	\$600
CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT EXPENSES	\$390	\$335	\$335
TOTAL DONATIONS	\$2,540	\$2,517	\$2,685
FEES			
PERMITS	\$150	\$165	\$150
RENT	\$450	\$345	\$225
SPEAKER	\$225	\$150	\$225
TOTAL FEES	\$825	\$660	\$600
OFFICE			
ADVERTISING	\$200	\$138	\$150
COPIES AND POSTAGE	\$120	\$99	\$100
WEB PAGE	\$200		\$200
OFFICE - OTHER	\$100	\$123	\$100
TOTAL OFFICE	\$620	\$360	\$550
PUBLICITY			
NEWSLETTER POSTAGE	\$700	\$668	\$700
NEWSLETTER PRINTING	\$2,900	\$3,115	\$2,900
NEWSLETTER SUPPLIES	\$150		\$150
TOTAL NEWSLETTER	\$3,750	\$3,783	\$3,750
TRAVEL	\$238	\$311	\$250
INVENTORY	\$225	\$253	\$250
BIRD SEED	\$3,450	\$3,105	\$3,450
GIFTS	\$100		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$11,748	\$10,990	\$11,535

(FINANCIAL REPORT, submitted by Bruce Tannehill, Treasurer, continued on following

(FINANCIAL REPORT, continued)

ASSETS			
OWEN SOWERWINE FUND July 1, 2003			\$554
TOTAL INCOME ⁴			\$903
EXPENSES			\$578
OWEN SOWERWINE FUND June 30, 2004			\$879
EDUCATION FUND July 1, 2003			\$2,349
TOTAL INCOME ⁵			\$2,032
EXPENSES			\$1,107
EDUCATION FUND June 30, 2004			\$3,274
OPERATING FUND ⁷			\$7,627
BARB BAXTER ACTION FUND ^{6,8}			
DOMINI SOCIAL INVESTMENTS			\$5,839
CONSERVATION FUND ^{6,9}			
NEW PERSPECTIVE FUND			\$8,978
WASHINGTON MUTUAL FUND			\$12,418
THE GROWTH FUND OF AMERICA			\$6,474
DOMINI SOCIAL INVESTMENTS			\$7,521
TOTAL			\$35,392
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL ASSETS			\$53,012

¹ Speakers at our meetings are part of our educational program

² 9th Annual Global Volunteer Day

³ For state lobbying and programs

⁴ For 2004/2005 we received a grant from MT Audubon of \$4525 to be spent for signing, fencing etc.

⁵ The Sustainability Fund gave us two grants totalling \$2000 to support our Community Naturalist Program

⁶ Both of these funds are invested in the listed mutual funds

⁷ Invested in Glacier Bank, Money Market and Whitefish Credit Union

⁸ Dedicated to short term or small conservation projects

⁹ Dedicated to long term conservation projects



DID YOU KNOW?

*** One ostrich egg yields about 4-1/2 cups of contents. That's nearly as much as 2 dozen large chicken eggs. ***



*** Of 300 varieties of hummingbirds, less than 20 types breed in the U.S. ***

*** Male indigo buntings sport brilliant blue plumage only during nesting season. The rest of the year, these birds are spotted with brown. ***

Birds & Blooms Magazine

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Deadline for newsletter copy is the 20th of each month. Contact newsletter editor at 257-0363; email submissions to pileatedpost@hotmail.com

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