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NORTHWEST ARKANSAS AUDUBON SOCIETY, INC.

"Joyous and fresh and clear thy music"

MEETINGS AND FIELD TRIPS

- Sept. 6, Saturday, 7:00 AM - Noon. Beaver Lake shoreline cleanup (see page 3)
- Sept. 24, Wednesday, 1:00 PM - Bella Vista Garden Club meeting at Riordan Hall. NWAAS member, Charlotte Martin, will present the Bluebird program given for AARP.
- Sept. 27, Saturday, 8:00 AM - Noon. Geology Field Trip led by Dr. Walt Manger, U of A Geologist. Meet chartered schoolbus at Northwest Arkansas Mall at 8:00 AM. We will proceed from there to Winslow with several stops, observing and collecting fossils.
NOTE: To reserve a seat on the bus, send Jeff Moran, Dept. of Chemistry, U of A, Fayetteville, AR 72201, a check for \$2.00, payable to Northwest Arkansas Audubon Society, by Sept. 19th. Fee will pay for fuel and driver. On the bus, Dr. Manger will lecture between stops. Bring a snack, and a friend. Make your reservations now!
- Oct. 6, Monday, 7:30 PM, Regular Meeting, U of A Campus, Room 403 in the SCIENCE-ENGINEERING BUILDING; Dr. Albert Ogden of the U of A will present the program on Caves of the Ozarks. To reach the building, turn North off Dickson Street, approximately 1 block west of Arkansas Avenue, onto Campus Drive. The Science-Engineering Building is the first one on the left.
- Oct. 24, 25, 26, Fall Meeting of the Arkansas Audubon Society at Ashdown (Near Millwood Reservoir). Field Trips include a Shorebird Workshop and a Beginner's Bird Course. Write Tom Whitley, AAS Vice-President, for a Call-to-Meeting. Address, Rt #2, Box 123 E, Hope, AR 71801.

Nov. 1, Saturday, BIRD SEED SAVINGS DAY!!!

The Shiloh Museum and NWAAS will sponsor Northwest Arkansas' second Bird Seed Savings Day on Saturday, Nov. 1.

NWAAS members will soon receive a pre-order form so that the high quality seed may be ordered early, before cold weather arrives. Food will be especially scarce for birds this winter, due to the severe drought.

Since this is a volunteer effort, we need your help! If you can spend time at the Museum taking phone orders, greeting visitors on BSSD, helping with displays, folding flyers or helping to unload seed, write or call Ellen Neaville or Laurie Williams, c/o Shiloh Museum, 118 W. Johnson Ave., Springdale, AR 72764. Please send names and addresses of friends who might want seed to Ellen or Laurie before Oct. 1. NWAAS gave partial scholarships to Linda Kauble of Springdale and Lisa Tye of Rogers to attend Arkansas Audubon's Ecology camp, using proceeds from January 1980 BSSD.

Proceeds go toward
educational programs
& activities...and you

save
money,
too.



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HOBBS ESTATE: PLAN REVEALED

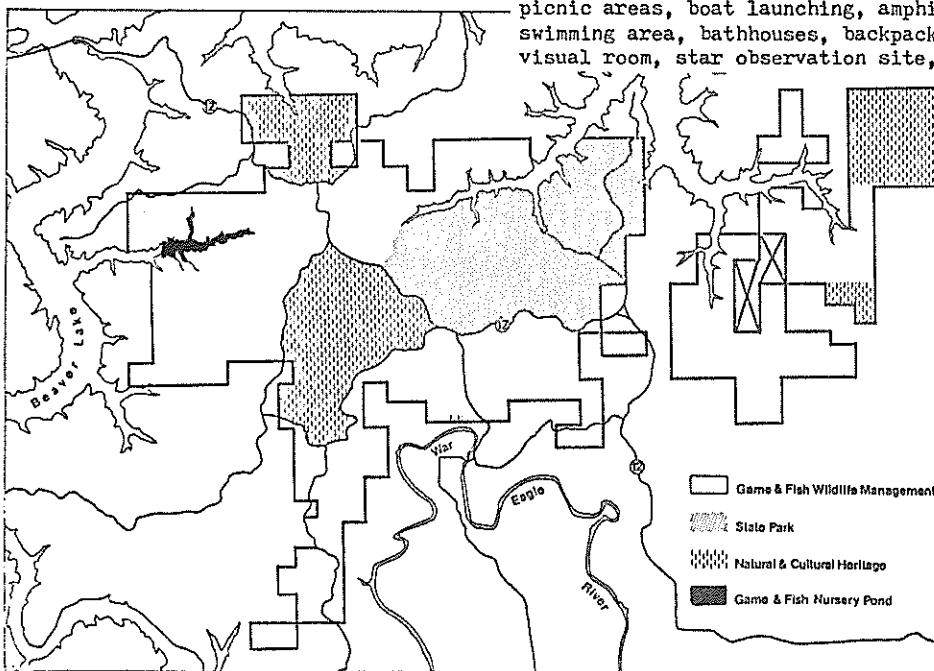
A ROUGH DRAFT OF THE MASTER PLAN FOR MANAGING - outlined by representatives of the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism, Game and Fish Commission, and The Natural Heritage Commission - Public Hearing, Rogers, August 4, 1980

Of the 11,644 acres which comprise the Hobbs Estate, 2500 acres in five separate areas will be preserved under the management of the Natural Heritage Commission. Mina Marsh, Deputy Director, identified the sites as Shaddox Hollow, Van Winkle Hollow, Kirk Hollow, War Eagle Bluff and Section 16 in Carroll County (See Diagram). Each of these sites includes some natural and unique features of the Ozarks, such as caves, sinkholes, river bluffs, glades, or springs. No camping, fires, grazing, firewood gathering or berry picking will be allowed on these sites and access will be by foot only. Hunting will be allowed only under Game and Fish Commission regulations. Development will be limited to signs and foot trails. Scientific research will be allowed by permit only.

The largest portion of the estate, 6600 acres will be managed by the Game and Fish Commission. According to John Sunderland, acting Chief of the Wildlife Management Division, the goals of the commission will be to regulate and manage the habitat to allow optimum use by hunters without damage to natural resources. Hunting during the regular seasons will be open this year for gun, archery, and muzzle loaders for deer, squirrel, rabbit and turkey. No dog hunting will be allowed during gun deer season, and the area north of Highway 12 and west of Rambo Road will be closed to hunters. The Blackburn Creek arm of Beaver Lake has been selected as the site for a future fisheries nursery pond. No off-road vehicles, no removal of firewood and no livestock grazing will be allowed in the Game and Fish management area.

The Department of Parks and Tourism will manage the remaining land, approximately 2544 acres. Only 360 acres will actually be developed. Jay Miller and Greg Butts reviewed the four options for adding park facilities which the department is considering. These options are summarized below:

- OPTION 1: Access trails, information signing, primitive camping, lake access
- OPTION 2: Trail system, information office, primitive camping, lake access, tent camping, walk-in camping, picnic areas, boat launching, amphitheatre
- OPTION 3: Trail system, information center, lake access, tent camping, walk-in camping, picnic areas, boat launching, amphitheatre, horse camp, full service camping, swimming area, cabins, bathhouses, backpacking campsites, pavilion, restaurant, audio-visual room, star observation site, meeting room
- OPTION 4: Trail system, information center, lake access, tent camping, walk-in camping, picnic areas, boat launching, amphitheatre, horse camp, full service camping, swimming area, bathhouses, backpacking campsites, restaurant, pavilion, audio-visual room, star observation site, lodge, swimming pool, convention center.



Park Department planners are recommending OPTION 3. They predict an 8 to 10 year period for the development, which will depend upon the availability of funds from the state legislature.

Comments and suggestions will be accepted throughout the month of August.

Write Jay Miller, Park Planner, 1 Capitol Mall, Little Rock, AR 72201

 CHAPTER NEWS

From ELLEN NEAVILLE:

The Northwest Arkansas Audubon Society Board of Directors voted on Aug. 3rd to change the permanent address of the Society to: Department of Zoology, 632 Science - Engineering Building, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas, 72701. This change was made in order to comply with Arkansas law, which requires all corporations to establish a permanent street address. However, the post office box will still be retained for ease in contacting members or officers and in handling responses to questionnaires. Members will vote on this change at the next Regular Meeting of members, which be held on October 6th (See Calender on Page 1).

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FALL MEETING

Two Iola Rea Scholarships will be awarded to help recipients attend the fall meeting of the Arkansas Audubon Society. The meeting will be in Ashdown, October 24-26. Each recipient will receive free lodging and meals and a waiver of registration fees. The scholarship does not include transportation to the meetings.

Applicants must be 11 to 19 years of age, be interested in natural science, supply a letter of recommendation from a teacher or Audubon member, and provide a short statement outlining their qualifications for the award.

The applications must be postmarked no later than September 16, 1980. Write or call Ellen Neaville for application forms.

 NEWS BRIEFS

ALASKA

As this issue of the Newsletter was being prepared, NBC Evening News carried the report that the Senate had just voted to save millions of acres of Alaskan Wilderness. The matter will now go to the Senate-House Conference Comm. Letters and calls to our senators apparently have helped to bring about this favorable vote. BRAVO! NWAAS sent a mailgram to our senators (Bumpers & Pryor) who both voted favorably. Please send both of them a note of thanks.

SOLAR COALITION

The Arkansas Solar Coalition is seeking a state-wide membership of people interested in conserving our natural resources, especially in the field of energy. For information, contact the Coalition at 1145 Hearn, Blytheville, AR 72315.

POLLUTION CONTROL

The Dept. of Pollution Control and Ecology has published several pamphlets available to the public at no charge. To obtain ONE of the listed publications, write: Arkansas Department of Pollution Control & Ecology

8001 National Drive, Little Rock, AR 72209

Arkansas Hazardous Waste Management Act (Act 406 of 1979)

Arkansas Joint County and Municipal Solid Waste Disposal Act (Act 699 of 1979)

Citizen's Guide to Major Sources of Air Pollution, Revised

Citizen's Guide to Major Sources of Water Pollution, Revised

Citizen's Guide to Environmental Legislation and Regulations, Revised

Be sure to include your name, street address, town, state and zip code and the title of your choice of publications.

BEAVER LAKE CLEANUP

Northwest Arkansas Families and individuals concerned about the litter problem along the Beaver Lake shoreline are needed as volunteers to provide boats and life preservers, cars to transport persons to collection sites and to Prairie Creek for lunch, and to help pick up trash. If you are able to assist, call the Corps of Engineers at 636-1210. Details will appear in your local papers and will be heard on local radio stations. (See calendar, Page 1)



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Application for Membership

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<input type="checkbox"/> Family.....	\$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual.....
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<input type="checkbox"/> Student (Full-time).....	\$13.50	

New
 Renewal

Name (Please Print) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Membership Number (if renewing) _____

Local Chapter: Northwest Arkansas Audubon Society #0403

Membership in NWAAS includes membership in National Audubon Society and bimonthly subscriptions to both the AUDUBON MAGAZINE and the NWAAS newsletter. Use this application for your renewal or give one to a friend.

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY and send to:
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