

Jan 25 – Rarities and Vagrants: Cape Cod's Birds and Birders through the Seasons

Mark Faherty, Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary, Mass Audubon

With its position on the Atlantic flyway and its potent mix of oceans, bays, marshes, dunes, and thickets, the Cape is one of the best spots for birding on the east coast. Mark Faherty of Mass Audubon's Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary will discuss the best of birding on Cape Cod, including where to go and what to look for through the seasons, as well as the natural history of a strange and misunderstood species: the Cape Cod Birder.

Feb 22 - Wild Care's - Wild Encounters!

Stephanie Ellis, Executive Director Wild Care

"Help! I found a baby bird..., "There's an orphaned squirrel at my doorstep... Now what?"

Wild Care, Inc. is a nonprofit wildlife hospital dedicated to the rescue and release of injured and orphaned wildlife on Cape Cod. Wild Care operates a Wildlife Helpline, and rehabilitates over 1,200 animals per year. They see everything from Bald Eagles to Deer Mice. Wild Care's Executive Director Stephanie Ellis will cover what to do when you find animals in distress, and will provide tips for living with our wild neighbors.



Joe Martinez & Rick Roth, New England Herpetological Society

Using skulls, skeletons and skins, we'll examine the characters that make a snake the unique animal it is. Then we'll review the snakes native to New England and learn about their very interesting adaptations and behaviors. Everyone will have the opportunity to touch and hold several live snakes and see additional live snakes on display.

Apr 26 - Snowy Owls to Saw-whet Owls

Norman Smith, Director Blue Hills Trailside Museum & Norman Smith Environmental Education Center, Mass Audubon

Description: Since 1981, Norman Smith has spent countless days and nights, in every imaginable weather condition, observing, capturing, banding and relocating Snowy Owls at Logan International Airport. Data has been collected on roosting, hunting and behavior while on their wintering grounds. Since 2000 satellite transmitters have been attached to owls to learn more about their movements. Find out what has been learned to date, what questions remain and how this project developed to include research on Saw-whet Owls.

TICKETS

All lectures are expected to sell out in advance - get your tickets as soon as possible!

In Person: Cape Cod Beer, 1336 Phinney's Lane, Hyannis or Mass Audubon's Long Pasture Wildlife Sanctuary, 345 Bone Hill Road, Barnstable Online: Visit CapeCodBeer.com/Wildlife2017