

Delaware-Otsego Audubon Society

Adirondack Boreal Birding Trip

Friday June 20th to Sunday June 22nd 2014

Our guide will be John Thaxton, noted bird expert and guide for the Adirondacks. For the past ten years, John and his wife Pat have led trips for the Paul Smith's Visitor Interpretive Center's Great Adirondack Birding Celebration and for nine years, led trips for the Hamilton County's Adirondack Birding Festival. Becky Gretton, Board Member, did the research onsite for the lodging and listed below are her findings which are excellent and practical.

Planned Itinerary:

Friday, June 20, noon - Leave Oneonta -Dietz Street parking lot. Car pooling is necessary, please specify on form if you have space in your car or if you need a ride

Bird trips:

On trip, walking will be limited and not strenuous.

Saturday AM: Whiteface Highway and Whiteface Mountain; species- Bicknell's Thrush, Blackpoll Warbler, Yellow-bellied Flycatcher, Boreal Chickadee.

Saturday PM: Bloomingdale Bog, Oregon Plains/Bigelow Road and the Paul Smith's Interpretive Center: species - Gray Jay, Black-backed Woodpecker, Lincoln's Sparrow, etc.

Sunday AM: Intervale Lowlands Preserve: expected species - warblers, including Bay-breasted Warbler.

Space is limited to 15 people. Contact Eleanor Moriarty to get on the list. After the first 15 people sign up, you will be placed on a waiting list.
Cancellations: please contact Eleanor so she can inform people on the waiting list there is an opening.

Lodging:

Two Choices are available: The preferred choice is Hungry Trout Resort, based on access to fridge and coffee maker in room and on-site restaurants. Reservations are to be made directly to the motel of choice. Mention Audubon Trip and Becky Gretton's name. A block of standard rooms are being held until April 30th.

Hungry Trout Resort 518-946-2217, hungrytrout.com
Cost per night is \$131.80 (\$119 plus bed tax of \$12.80). Two nights stay will be \$263.60. A deposit of one night's rental is required with a credit card. Up to four people may stay in the room for this rate. Each room as stated above has a small fridge and a four cup coffee maker. Two supplies of coffee are included and more may be purchased for \$1.00 at office. The Hungry Trout Restaurant (upscale) and McDougal's Pub (bar style dinners) are located on the property. Not open for breakfast/lunch. Cancellation policy: 7 days prior to the reservation date, one night deposit minus \$10 is refunded. If within one week, the one night deposit is forfeited (unless room is rented).

Grand View Motel 518-946-2209, grandviewmotel.net
Rooms are \$99 per night plus bed tax. Two to a room, no fridge, no coffee maker in room, and no restaurant on property. Cancellation policy: 8 days prior, no charge. Up to 72 hours, forfeit one night deposit.

Expenses: Participants are responsible for their meals. Additional expenses will be incurred by participants to share gas and tolls. The mileage from Oneonta to Adirondack trip area is approximately 200 miles one way. Tolls for the Veteran's Memorial Hwy (Whiteface) costs \$10 per vehicle, and \$7 for each additional passenger.

June Adirondack Birding Trip Reservation Form

Please reserve early: **Trip limited to 15 participants**

Contact Eleanor Moriarty to get on trip list – after the first 15, a waiting list will be established.

If canceling, contact Eleanor Moriarty – see contact information below

Lodging reservations are made by individuals, and meals are the responsibility of the individual.

Additional expenses: gas and tolls (approximately 400 miles round trip; tolls \$10 per vehicle + \$7 per person)

Name(s): _____

Contact information: _____ Number in party: _____

Lodging (check one): Hungry Trout () The Grand View Motel ()

Car pooling: Plan to drive () If space available, for how many? ()
Need a ride ()

For reservations or more information: Eleanor Moriarty 607-435-2054 or eleanormrrt955@gmail.com

Send form to: Delaware-Otsego Audubon Society, PO Box 544, Oneonta, NY 13820