

37th Annual Conference of the Western Field Ornithologists  
*Petaluma, CA • 26–30 September 2012*

**Conference Schedule**  
*Sheraton Sonoma County-Petaluma*

**Wednesday, September 26**

5:00 - 7:00PM – Early registration is open in **Hotel Lobby**

7:00 – Owling trip with Dave Quady in **Hotel Lobby**  
**ALL TRIPS BY CARPOOL**

**Thursday, September 27**

5:15 – 7:15AM – Continental breakfast available in Lobby (**for those who pre-paid at registration**)

5:15AM – Box Lunches available in Lobby (**for those who purchased them**)

5:30 - 6:30AM – Registration is open in **Hotel Lobby**

5:30AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for full day pelagic trip departures  
**ALL TRIPS BY CARPOOL**

- Bodega Bay Pelagic trip
- Bodega Bay Photographers' Pelagic trip

6:00AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for full day field trip departures  
**ALL TRIPS BY CARPOOL**

- Outer Pt. Reyes
- Pt. Reyes: Abbott's Lagoon
- Bodega and Bodega Bay
- Bodega Bay and Migrant Hotspots
- Pt. Reyes: Limantour Beach and Estero

6:30AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for full day field trip departures  
**ALL TRIPS BY CARPOOL**

- Napa County: Birds and Wine
- PRBO Bird Banding

9:30AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for full day field trip departure  
**BY CARPOOL**

- Hawk Hill and southern Marin County

11:00AM - 4:00PM – WFO Board Meeting. **Avocet Room**

4:30 – 5:30PM – Registration open. **Hotel Lobby**

6:00 - 8:00PM – Opening Reception. Artwork of Keith Hansen and Sophie Webb on display; Cash bar and ample hors d'oeuvres. **PRBO Headquarters (transportation by Carpool, 1.5 miles from Sheraton)**

### **Friday, September 28**

5:15 – 7:15AM – Continental breakfast available in Lobby (**for those who pre-paid at registration**)

5:30 - 6:30AM – Registration is open in **Hotel Lobby**

6:00AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for half day field trip departures

#### **ALL TRIPS BY CARPOOL**

- Railing
- Shorebirding

6:30AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for half day field trip departures

#### **BY CARPOOL**

- Spring Lake Park
- Ragle Park Regional Park

6:45AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for half day field trip departures

#### **ALL TRIPS BY CARPOOL**

- Petaluma Wetlands
- Santa Rosa-Willowside Road

7:00AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for half day field trip departure

#### **BY CARPOOL**

- Shollenberger Park
- Hudeman Slough (**NOTE, CHANGED TO NAPA STP**)

7:30AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for half day field trip departure

#### **BY CARPOOL**

- Digiscoping

### **WORKSHOPS**

7:00AM – Molt De-mystified with Peter Pyle **Pelican Room**

8:00AM – Shorebird Identification with Al Jaramillo (Classroom Session) **Great Blue Heron B**

8:00AM – Bird Sketching with Keith Hansen **Marina Overlook Room**

11:00AM- noon – Lunch break. Lunch on own

11:00AM- noon – Registration is open in **Hotel Lobby**

12:15 - 3:40PM – **Plenary/Science Sessions** opens with Peter Pyle. **Great Blue Heron B**

4:00 - 5:30PM – Photo Identification Expert Panel. **Great Blue Heron B**

5:30 - 6:30PM – Registration is open in **Hotel Lobby**

Dinner on your own.

### **Saturday, September 29**

5:15 – 7:15AM – Continental breakfast available in Lobby (**for those who pre-paid at registration**)

5:30 - 6:30AM – Registration is open in **Hotel Lobby**

6:00AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for half day field trip departure

#### **BY CARPOOL**

- Bodega Bay Shorebirding

6:15AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for half day field trip departure

#### **BY CARPOOL**

- Giacomini Wetlands

6:30AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for half day field trip departures

#### **ALL TRIPS BY CARPOOL**

- American Canyon Wetlands
- Las Gallinas Ponds
- Spring Lake Park

6:45AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for half day field trip departures

#### **ALL TRIPS BY CARPOOL**

- Santa Rosa-Willowside Road

7:00AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for half day field trip departure

#### **BY CARPOOL**

- Shollenberger Park
- Hudeman Slough (**NOTE, CHANGED TO NAPA STP**)

### **WORKSHOPS**

7:00AM – Shorebird Identification with Al Jaramillo (Field Session) **Meet in Lobby**

7:00AM – Tracking Birds and other Wildlife with Richard Vacha **Marina Overlook Room**

8:00AM – Pelagic Identification with Jim Danzenbaker and Scott Terrill **Great Blue Heron B**

8:00AM – Raptor Identification with Homer Hansen **Pelican Room**

11:00AM- noon – Lunch break. Lunch on own.

11:00AM- noon – Registration is open in **Hotel Lobby**

12:15 - 3:40PM – Science Sessions **Great Blue Heron Room B**

4:00 - 5:30PM – Sound Identification: Team Challenge **Great Blue Heron Room B**

5:30 - 6:30PM – Registration is open in **Hotel Lobby**

6:30 - 9:30PM – Annual Meeting and Election, Banquet, Silent Auction. Keynote Address by Russ Bradley **Great Blue Heron Ballroom**

### **Sunday, September 30**

5:15 – 7:15AM – Continental breakfast available in Lobby (**for those who pre-paid at registration**)

5:15AM – Box lunches available in Lobby (**for those who purchased them**)

5:30 - 6:30AM – Registration is open in **Hotel Lobby**

5:30AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for TWO-DAY trip departure  
**BY CARPOOL**

- Coastal Humboldt County

5:45AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for full day field trip departure  
**BY CARPOOL**

- Half Moon Bay

6:00AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for full day field trip departures  
**ALL TRIPS BY CARPOOL**

- Outer Pt. Reyes
- Outer Pt. Reyes TWO
- Bolinas
- Pt. Reyes: Abbott's Lagoon
- Bodega Bay and Migrant Hotspots
- Pt. Reyes: Limantour Beach and Estero

6:15AM – Assemble in **Hotel Lobby** for full day pelagic trip departure  
**BY CARPOOL**

- Farallon Islands Pelagic Trip from Sausalito

**WORKSHOPS**

8:45AM – Raptor Identification with Homer Hansen and Allen Fish (Field Session – Hawk Hill)

**BY CARPOOL**

**Monday, October 1**

7:00AM – Half Moon Bay Pelagic Trip **Meet at dock in Half Moon Bay**