

August 26	"Fulfillment of Resting and Feeding Requirements of Shorebirds with respect to tides in South Boston"	Squantum	Dave Brown (328-3553)
Sept. 15	"Analysis of Broad-wing Flight"	Mt. Wachusett	Paul Roberts (776-8566)
Oct. 6 or 7	"Coastal Movements of Accipiters and Falcons"	Plum Island	Nancy Claflin (484-5651)
Nov. 11	"Raptor Winter Ranges and Lexington Territories"		John Andrews (862-6498)

For further general information about these field trips contact Craig Jackson (864-1917).

SPRING HAWK WATCH

The EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS HAWK WATCH will be in two parts this spring. There will be a coordinated weekend watch throughout New England on April 21-22, and a consecutive-day watch on Plum Island from April 11-May 2. Volunteer observers are needed for all dates.

Don't hesitate to participate if you don't feel confident about your ability to identify hawks. The watch attempts to have two or more people at each site. If you wish, you can be stationed with more experienced observers who will be able to help you learn to identify the hawks while you help spot the birds. Studying hawks during migration is the best way to become familiar with them. Even if you are unable to identify some of the hawks you see, it is important for the watch to learn if there was any hawk activity at your site.

Volunteers are needed for both inland and coastal sites for April 21-22. If you don't have a preferred site, please ask Paul to recommend one to you. If you are interested in participating, even if for only a half-day, please contact:

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Any birders who observe significant hawk flights or uncommon individuals during the season are also asked to report them to Paul. Please send him a brief note describing what species were seen, how many of each, in which direction they were flying, where they were observed, and what the weather conditions were. If you observed a sustained flight, please specify the time spent looking for hawks. We are particularly interested in incidental reports from Plum Island, the Buzzards Bay area, and Cape Cod.