

Announcing the

BROOKS BIRD CLUB

83rd Annual Foray

June 15-22, 2024
Camp Pocahontas
Thornwood, WV



Transportation to camp will be up to each person. Camp is located just off State Route 28 approximately 3 miles north of Bartow. Watch for BBC signs.

Foray address: Brooks Bird Club
Camp Pocahontas
Bartow, WV 24920
304-456-4896 • GPS 38.575442, -79.715681

In order to attend Foray, you must be a BBC member with dues paid current.

Cost of camp includes lodging, meals, snacks, and registration. Please fill out application form completely and be sure to enclose your check, including membership fee if applicable. All reservations are due by June 3rd, 2024, and will be acknowledged.

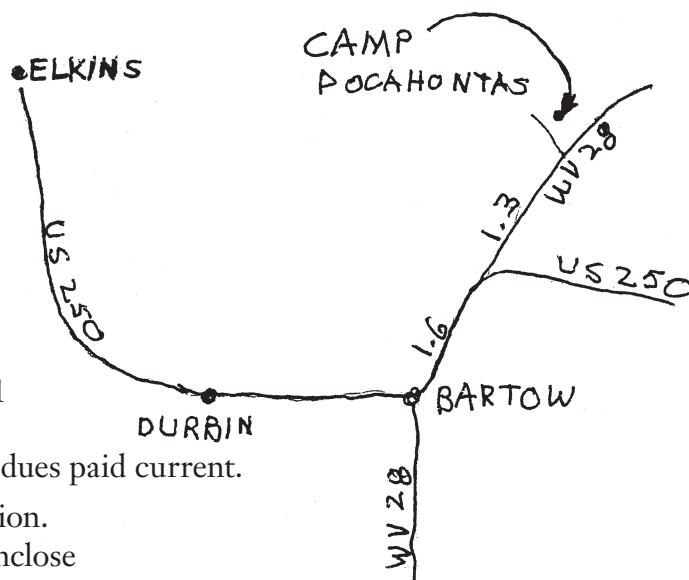
Do not come without a reservation.

If you have any questions, call or write to:

**Cindy Slater • 125 North Center Street • Bridgeport, WV 26330
724-570-8502 • Mountaingirl127@gmail.com**

or

**Mary Murin • 1730 Woodland Drive • Vienna, WV 26105
575-993-8222 • sloinnm@yahoo.com**



JUNE 15-22, 2024 FORAY – MISCELLANEOUS CAMP INFORMATION

Headquarters for the 2024 Foray will be Camp Pocahontas located near Thornwood, WV, just off State Route 28. We will cover the same territory as we have the past 15 Forays here. The diversity of habitat and the high elevations with resulting “northern” birds and plants has always made this our most popular Foray site.

Accommodations are comfortable and include a large dining hall and meeting room in a separate building with adequate space for library and lab. Campers will be housed in dormitories for the men and women, while showers and bathroom facilities are in a separate building. Plenty of hot and cold running water in the showers and indoor flush toilets make this a comfortable camp. There's plenty of room for camping if desired. Hook ups are not provided.

The program will emphasize birds. You will have opportunities to join in the Breeding Surveys, Bird Population Studies and Early Morning Bird Walks. There will be fieldwork in Flowering Plants, Mammals, Reptiles and Amphibians. A program of lectures and field trips for the scholarship students and other campers who wish to participate will be part of the program. Foray Directors will be Cindy Slater and Mary Murin. They will be assisted by others on the Foray Committee. You will be asked to help. Come prepared!

Many of the participants at Foray are experienced field biologists, some professional, others amateurs, but all specialists in their field of nature. Their informal leadership and enthusiasm to help people should make Foray both enjoyable and educational.

Rules governing Foray are few. We expect you to contribute your share towards making Foray a success. While the Club cannot be held responsible for any individual, all precautions will be taken to safeguard each participant, and all attendees will be covered by liability insurance.

Meals will be good and furnished by our camp cooks. There will be early morning snacks for the early birds. There will be all-day excursions for which bag lunches will be supplied.

Things to take: Towel, soap, rain gear, walking shoes, boots, cameras, binoculars, hangers, flashlight, and notebook. You will need to take bedding, including pillow and sleeping bag. Take books on natural history to loan to the library. Be sure your name is in them! Remember to plan for both warm and cool weather, as we do move through elevations, and Pocahontas County has been quite cool and wet in past years. If you have a 2-way radio(s), please bring them, as they are helpful when two or more cars are traveling together.

Silent Auction – A silent auction will be held during Foray as a means to raise scholarship money. Donated items to auction are needed and much appreciated. The donor may put a minimum bid on donations, if desired.

Mug Contest – Don't forget to bring a cup or mug to use while you are in camp in the name of conservation. Prizes are always memorable.

T-Shirt Contest – We will be having a t-shirt contest. Bring your interesting, colorful and kooky nature-related t-shirts to wear for judging.

Extra Binoculars – We may have young adults attending that don't already have binoculars. If you have an old pair to lend out, please bring them to Foray. Thanks!

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See you at Camp!



Information for 2024 Foray may be found on the BBC Webpage. You may also submit an online application to 2024 Foray and use the Paypal link provided.

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

For Office Use Only

Date Recv'd. _____

Full Time Adult \$ _____

Full Time Child \$ _____

Part Time Adult \$ _____

Part Time Child \$ _____

Membership \$ _____

(if applicable)

Total \$ _____

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All reservations must be received by **June 3, 2024** and accompanied by check for full amount. Make check payable to: **The Brooks Bird Club, Inc.** and mail to: **Cindy Slater • 125 North Center Street • Bridgeport WV 26330 • Telephone 724-570-8502**

NAME (Please Print) _____ PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

ADDR/CITY/ST/ZIP _____

(List on back names of all applicants, including first name)

Special interests in nature _____

(Bird Population Studies, Breeding Bird Surveys, Plants, Trees, Shrubs, Ferns, Mosses, Mammals.)

Special dietary needs (vegetarian, gluten, nut allergy, etc.) _____

Will you assist as a Leader or present a 30 minute maximum slide program, etc.? _____ Bring own laptop.
(Please list program on back) (Natural History Subject)

The Foray begins with registration at Camp on Saturday, June 15th at 3:00 pm (DST). Saturday dinner at 6:00 p.m. will be the first official meal. The Foray will close with a short meeting after breakfast on Saturday, June 22nd. Campers must provide their own bedding: sheets, pillow, blankets, sleeping bag, and towels.

Adult Full Time – 6/15– 6/22 _____ @ \$250.00 each \$ _____

If a child 14 or under is accompanied by a paying adult, the child comes free. If child is over 14, they must complete a Scholarship Application.

Part Time (3 Meals + 1 overnight) _____ @ \$50.00 per day \$ _____

***Tent/Trailer Full Time – Adult** _____ @ \$250.00 each (Camping includes all meals) \$ _____

Tent/Trailer Part Time _____ @ \$50.00 per day (3 meals + 1 overnight) \$ _____

Meals only _____ @ \$15.00 each \$ _____

ALL MEALS & LODGING YOU RESERVE MUST BE PAID – NO REFUNDS

FOR NON-MEMBERS & SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS INCLUDE *MEMBERSHIP

*Individual \$35.00 / Family \$40.00 / Student \$20.00 \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

_____ Check here for county maps. Cost approximately \$4.00-5.00, payable at camp.

I expect to arrive June _____ for _____ Breakfast _____ Lunch _____ Dinner

I expect to depart June _____ after _____ Breakfast _____ Lunch _____ Dinner

*For the good of all concerned, every camper attending the Foray **MUST** be a member of the Brooks Bird Club. Your dues entitle you to membership in the Club (thru Dec. 2018) for which you will receive the **REDSTART** (official club scientific publication); the **MAIL BAG** (club news journal); and various other bulletins.

*SIGNED _____ DATE _____

***THE BROOKS BIRD CLUB IS RELEASED OF ALL RESPONSIBILITY**



THE BROOKS BIRD CLUB

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2024 Foray Notice



*All photos from the
2018 Pocahontas County Foray*