Tellico Village Birding Club Newsletter – November 2026

Bluebird Society Meeting

The Valley Chapter of the Tennessee Bluebird Society will be having its annual meeting on November 17th, from 10 AM to Noon on the 5th floor of the yacht club. The speaker will be Regina Santore, Wild Ones Smoky Mountain Chapter president. Learn about the plants for your yard that support the creatures we love. Please RSVP by email to mailto:valleychaptertbs@gmail.com

How to Store Bird Seed

Bird feeders gone strangely silent? There are a number of reasons why birds will avoid the food you provide, one of which is the seed or nuts you have provided are no longer fresh. Check out this guide to storing bird seed: https://birdfeedly.com/how-to-store-bird-seed/

Member Contribution – Ashley Finger

Joe says; Ashley provided a picture of a barred owl which I believe was taken near the Rec. Center.



Great Egret Name Change

An article about the renaming of Great Egrets caught my eye. In our part of the world they are now known as American Egrets as of October 2026. Click on the following link for more information: https://mybirdfolio.com/splits-and-lumps/great-egret-split

Member Contribution – SuZanne Axt

SuZanne says, "Thought this was an interesting topic for the November newsletter!", Birdwatching Rewires the Brain and Slows Cognitive Decline: https://www.goodnewsnetwork.org/birdwatching-rewires-the-brain-and-slows-cognitive-decline/

Member Contribution – William Roy

William Says, "Hi Joe. I'm in Kelowna British Columbia for a WARTeR conference. Interesting to see that they have built a Heron nest out of rabbit wire. It seems to work".



Member Contribution – Doris Drulard

Red-tailed Hawk gets chased by what I think is a Cooper's Hawk, Lenoir City Tennessee:



Bald Eagle preening, Loudon Tennessee:



Member Contribution – Bret Vosika

Bret says, “I caught this Red-Tailed Hawk after he killed a bunny (and began to dine on it) in front of my house. This is in Chatuga Point.”





<u>Member Contribution – Mike & Linda Gregory</u>
Dusky Grouse, Jackson Hole, WY:



Large Wooden Troll attempting to take flight, Aullwood Audubon Center, Dayton OH:



Member Contribution – Michael Elkins





Member Contribution – Robbyn Stone

Robbyn says: “Saw an Annas Hummingbird in Monterey California last month. Forgot what the blue one was.” [Joe says Steller’s Jay]



