



**Saturday Dec. 2, 2017, Walla Walla Park, Horan, and/or Apple Capital Loop Trail at Porter's Pond.** Our focus will be learning to recognize common birds of the Wenatchee Valley in riparian and open water ecosystems. Plan for changing weather with a possibility of rain. Bring umbrellas and hooded parkas so you can stay dry. We will not cancel.

**LOGISTICS OVERVIEW:** Meet at Walla Walla Point Park, the north end parking lot (near the bathrooms and the children's play structure).



We will gather on the foot bridge at the lagoon. We will walk out on the spit, mostly standing in one spot. From there, we may caravan to the 19<sup>th</sup> Street Trailhead parking lot entrance to the Apple Capital Loop Trail in East Wenatchee. Depending upon weather, or destinations may change.

*NO PARKING PASSES needed!*

**WEAR:** use layers so you can take clothing off if you get warm while we are moving, and then put clothing on when we stop and while you are stationary, standing or seated. Avoid cotton clothing (it gets wet and stays wet!)

## GEAR

- Field journal, writing tools, reading glasses inside a 1-gallon ziplock bag
- binoculars (we will have loaners available that day)
- large daypack so you have room to carry all of your clothing
- 1 quart water and snacks to sustain you outside in the cold!
- option: camera

**TENTATIVE TIMELINE:** *Note: We will adjust our timing based on bird presence & conditions*

**8:30 All meet at Walla Walla Park, north parking lot** Use indoor bathrooms, as needed. Borrow a pair of binoculars and meet on the footbridge between the lagoon and the Columbia River.

**8:30-9:30** Birding as a group around the lagoon. Exact timing will depend on the day's birds and the weather. Our goal is to take you to the places where lots of birds are present.

**9:30** Load cars and depart for East Wenatchee, 19<sup>th</sup> Street Trailhead parking lot. Park restrooms available at trailhead.

**10:00-12:00** Walk sections of the Apple Capital Loop Trail to view birds at Porter's Pond on the Columbia River, walking south along the trail.

**12:00 OPTIONAL Invitation from class member, Nina Carlson:** I will be serving wine, beer, coffee water and making a big pot of white chicken chili and rolls. If folks want to bring a side salad or desert that would be grand! Class member, Connie Celuska, is going to bring her dulcimer and play for us!  
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