

Robbie Chandler has set up a ZOOM call for anyone who would like to join. In order to participate, send Robbie an email at rbbchandler@yahoo.com. She will send you a link to join the meeting. With this link you do not need to download the ZOOM app. The call will last 40 minutes max and it would be great to see you on a call!

NEW COMMUNICATION TOOL

We are using the TOWNDALLAS@Groups.io tool for most communications for the TOWN group. Since there isn't much going on right now the message traffic has been very low. Once we are able to gather again this will be the method to communicate events, activities and nonsense with all members at once. All current members have joined the group. Yeah!

February Hike

Join us for a hike at Cedar Ridge Preserve

7171 Mountain Creek Parkway, Dallas, TX 75249

Wednesday, February 10th at noon.

Meet outside the restrooms for a 4-5 mile hike on dirt trails. We'll do a route combining the Cattail Pond, Cedar Brake, Fossil Valley and Escarpment Trails. Bring a mask, water and maybe a snack to enjoy by the Cattail Pond.

The preserve will close if the trails are wet due to recent rains. For a trail map and other information go to <https://audubondallas.org/cedar-ridge-preserve/>

Trip Leader Shirley Meurer
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ZOOM Meeting in February

**Monday February 8th
at 7:00 PM**

Guests always welcome

ANNUAL DUES ARE \$20

Dues paid in 2020 will cover your membership through 2021

March Hike

Robbie has offered to lead a hike in March. Saturday, March 13th, 11:00 AM, meet at the visitor center in Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge. The plan is to caravan (about 2.2 miles) to the trail head for the Meadow Pond Trail. Bring a mask, water and any sustenance you might need for this 5.7 mile trail. The trail is easy, flat and marked at each mile for the out and back trip. You can do as much or little as you would like. There is very little shade on the trail so a hat and sunscreen might be important.

After the hike you might want to explore the refuge. There are more trails to hike, bird watching, fishing and an Audio Auto Tour.

For more information and directions to the refuge <https://www.fws.gov/refuge/hagerman/>

Due to the continued and increasing rates of infection of the corona virus, we are not yet ready to plan any group camping trips for TOWN. (No Inks Lake trip for the group this year)

Camping is regarded as a low risk activity but social distancing is still required. One way to get outdoors would be a small group campout. A few people could share a couple of campsites, bring own meals and drive separately. Most parks and campgrounds are less crowded during the week so a weekday camping trip would limit risk further. If you are interested in a small group camping trip and you don't have the experience to plan one yourself, let Shirley know and she will try to help set something up.

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Reservations at Texas State Parks are open now with a five month window. Weekend dates at the State Parks fill up quickly so you have to plan ahead.

Temporary guidelines for State Park use:

Face coverings are required inside all state park buildings.

Maintain at least a six-foot distance from anyone not in your group.

No groups larger than 10 people are allowed, except for families or people living in the same household.



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