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Outing Alert

**Ravencliff Faa Road
Birding Walk with Olya Milenkaya
Saturday, September 10th, 2016**



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Hike Leader: Dr. Olya Milenkaya, Assistant Professor of Biology

Hike Location: Ravencliff Faa Road, north of Blairsville

Outing Description: It's fall migration! The goal of this birding walk is

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to see both resident and migratory bird species such as warblers and vireos. To this end, we will hike very slowly and may therefore not cover much distance, but will hopefully see many interesting birds. Our walk follows a road that is not a loop, necessitating that we walk out and back along the same road.

Hike Date: Saturday, September 10, 2016

Meeting Time, Place and Directions: 8:00 AM at a pull-out on Ravenclyff Faa Road.

From Blairsville, take the Murphy Hwy/GA 19 north. Turn right onto Gumlog Road. After passing Ivylog Gap Road on your right, make your next right onto a US Forest Service gravel/dirt road that is unmarked. This is Ravenclyff Faa Road. Follow this road for less than one mile. We will meet at a pull-out along this road.

From Young Harris, take Murphy Street/GA 66 north. Take a left onto King Cove Road and an immediate right onto Gumlog Road. Stay on Gumlog Road. After passing James Henderson Road on your left, make your next left onto a US Forest Service gravel/dirt road that is unmarked. This is Ravenclyff Faa Road. Follow this road for less than one mile. We will meet at a pull-out along this road.

Distance and Difficulty: An easy 2 to 4 miles. To see the most birds, we will be walking rather slowly. This hike follows a gravel/dirt US Forest Service road and has a mild uphill grade. Since we will return along the same road, this will be a mild downhill grade on the way back.

Participant Limit: 12

What to Bring and Wear: Plenty of water, snacks, raincoat, and good hiking shoes. Please bring your binoculars and field guides if you have them; some loaner binoculars and field guides will be available for people who do not have their own. (If allergic to bees/wasps, remember to bring your meds/epi-pen.)

Cancellation: Participants will be notified if outing is cancelled due to forecast of severe weather, etc.

Pet Policy: No pets please.

Family Safe Policy: Georgia ForestWatch Outings are a smoke, alcohol and drug-free setting.

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Limited Space
Reservations Required

Our outings are free of charge and open to everyone on a first come, first served basis, up to the limit. **BUT DON'T FORGET**, Georgia ForestWatch members are given priority on our hikes. To learn how you can become a member, [click here](#).

To Reserve Your Spot: Please email our office at info@gafw.org or call 706-867-0051 with the following information.

1. Name of person(s)
2. Your email address
3. Your phone number (preferably cell if you will be carrying it on the outing day)

For more information on the outing, OR if you need directions on the day of the outing, contact Olya at olmilenkaya@yhc.edu or (956) 606-7434. Please note that the Georgia ForestWatch office is not open on the weekends, so you will need to contact Olya directly.

Upcoming Outings & Events - Mark Your Calendars!

September 10th - Ravencliff Faa Road Birding Walk - *with Olya Milenkaya*

September 23rd - Medicinal Plants Hike - *with Patricia Kyritsi Howell*

September 24th - Smithgall Woods Hike - *with Jess Riddle and Will Wagner*

October 8th - Georgia ForestWatch Fall Retreat, *Celebrating 30 Years of Watching Your Forests*

