

ANNUAL PICNIC

Alice Horst

For all of you who attended, helped set up, and brought food last year, I thank you. We had an awesome time and saw wonderful birds on our exploration of the property. Our highlights were: Bachman's Sparrows, Meadowlarks, Redheaded Woodpeckers, Bob-Whites, Scarlet Tanagers, and a Whooping Crane.

The date for our Annual Picnic this year will be:

- Sunday, April 11 (the week after Easter)
- Lake Panasoffkee Pavilion, Rt. 44 & Jones Creek Rd. (see directions below)
- 8:30 am birding starts. Bring scopes & binocs.
- 11:30 am lunch (time approximate depending on grilling times)
- Club supplies hot dogs & brats (grilled to perfection), and paper products.
- Bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share and your own drinks.
- Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the park.

Some help is needed to set up and clean up and assist our “grill-master” Steve Norton. Contact Alice Horst at ahorst@comcast.net to volunteer.

Directions: CR 466 West to CR 475. Left on CR 475 over I-75 to Rt 44. Right on Rt 44 about 1-2 miles. Watch for BROWN Great Florida Birding Trail sign on RIGHT. Turn LEFT at Jones Creek Road (a gravel road), straight to picnic area and pavilion and restrooms

NEW BADGES

Orders will be taken the February meeting for the newly designed badges.

Cost is \$6 per badge with a magnetic back or pin if needed.

Contact Kathy Porter at 259-8196 or kathymporter@comcast.net

if you can't make the meeting but want to order a badge.