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Eagle Trail Update



By Bill Combs Jr., Eagle Trail Ambassador

Most of the newborn Bald Eagles have left the nest; all except for John Jacob and Anna Maria located at Viewing Site #1. They have been spotted all month in and around the nest tree. The male Cobleskill Eagle is usually in the first tree on the left as you walk toward the reservoir in the early morning hours and in the pine trees in the middle of the three reservoirs.

John Jacob and Anna Maria have been hunting at the Cobleskill Fairgrounds on a regular basis. If you investigate the infield, the woodchucks will eat the fresh cut grass there. The Eagles sit along the trees and wait.

Viewing Site #14 Mine Kill State Park has been seeing a lot of activity at the boat launch area. There are 4 Bald Eagle nests around the park; with an average of 2 babies per nest, there could be about 16 Eagles in the area.

Both adult Eagles have been seen and photographed at Viewing Site #15. They were not successful in producing any young Eagles this year.

There have been a lot of reports of Bald Eagles around the Blenheim Bridge the past few weeks.

Last week there was a new Eagle that showed up in Schoharie. He was released two weeks before in Dutchess County after being treated for 8 months for lead poisoning from eating food that had been shot with a lead bullet.

There was another Bald Eagle released in Schoharie County about a year ago. His name is Schoharie, and he is doing great. He started heading toward Canada about 45 days ago.

Now that the baby season is almost over, you will start to see more immature Eagles on the Trail, as well as the adults, due to not needing to stay around the nest location.

Local Photography on Display

Nationally acclaimed wildlife photographer and ambassador of the Schoharie County Eagle Trail, Bill Combs Jr. will have his photographs on display at the **Cobleskill Golf and Country Club Red Barn Cafe**. Two separate collections will be on display; one in the Eagle Room highlighting the Eagles of Schoharie County, the other in the Birdie Room featuring shots of local songbirds and birds of prey. Prints will be available to purchase online or by ordering directly from Bill. Stop in to see the gallery now until the end of the golfing season!



Eagle Trail partners with Schoharie County Libraries

The Schoharie County Eagle Trail has partnered with the three libraries within the county to offer pairs of binoculars to the public. This collaboration has been made possible by a donation from Primeau Fahey Studios in Troy, NY. To borrow a pair, head to any of these locations: The Community Library of Cobleskill, The Middleburgh Library, or The Sharon Springs Free Library. Borrow the binoculars for a day this summer and explore the Trail with family and friends, enjoying the sights of Schoharie County!

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