



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- 1. How can I register for the Eagles and Agriculture Event?** *Download a registration form, fill it out completely and be sure to include payment information. You can either fax, mail or deliver the form to the Carson Valley Chamber of Commerce. You may also register and pay online at [www.carsonvalleynv.org](http://www.carsonvalleynv.org)*  
**Note: Your reservation is not confirmed or guaranteed until payment is received.**
- 2. I will be traveling from outside the area. Are there any local lodging properties offering discounted rates?** *Yes! There are several lodging properties offering a special discounted rate for the Eagles and Agriculture Event weekend. Find participating properties on the registration form.*
- 3. Someone told me there is a photography contest. How can I submit my photo(s)?** *Pictures must be taken in Carson Valley between February 25, 2018 and January 27, 2019 and submitted by Friday, February 8, 2019. We require an Electronic high resolution jpg file of each image submitted. Often e-mail will not allow you to send the files because they are too large, so we encourage you to send us a CD or other storage device (we will return it to you) or use a service like dropbox to submit your images. A Photo release form, which is posted on the web site, must be submitted along with your images for eligibility. Two prize categories are featured – Best Birding Image - \$125 and Best Agricultural/Wildlife Image - \$125. There is no entry fee and you may enter as many photos as you like.*
- 4. When will I receive confirmation for the activities I have booked?** *If you provide your email at the time of booking your activity online you will receive an email confirmation immediately following your purchase. You will also receive a printed confirmation in the mail within 2 weeks of your purchase. However, if you have any questions in the interim, please call the Carson Valley Chamber of Commerce at 1-775-782-8144.*
- 5. What if the weatherman is predicting a storm?** *Tours leave as scheduled rain or shine, no refunds. Wildlife sightings are not guaranteed; however we have never not had sightings. Be sure to dress warmly and wear comfortable walking shoes/boots.*
- 6. Tell me about the Thursday evening Welcome Reception.** *Our weekend begins with this event in the Grandview Room at the Douglas County Community & Senior Center on Waterloo Lane. It features the work of area wildlife photographers and there is an expected visit from several falconers and their birds for up close viewing. Eagles & AG birders & BSers are on hand to chat about the weekend as well. Light Hors d'oeuvres will be served and a cash bar available. *Note: This is not a dinner. It is a great chance to meet fellow enthusiasts and expert photographers in a terrific setting. Locals will be happy to share their restaurant recommendations with you so you can enjoy dinner after the event.**
- 7. Tell me about the Friday Night Eagles & Ag Dinner** *Is held at the Carson Valley Inn and has grown in popularity the last several years, largely due to providing an unprecedented up close look at various types of hawks and raptors and the chance to meet their handlers. Speakers are still being confirmed but a number of area falconers and their birds are scheduled to join us. Of course, the great dinner provided by Carson Valley Inn doesn't hurt, and there's exhibits from conservation minded organizations and businesses for attendees along with a raffle.*

8. **What should I wear if I am going on one of the tours and where do I meet the bus/van?** *The chartered buses pick up participants from the Carson Valley Inn and return participants to the Carson Valley Inn. (The one exception is the Sunday morning photo workshop field exercise, which will pick up from and return to Holiday Inn Express in Minden.) It is mandatory that you check in 30 minutes before the tour start time, even if you have checked in for other activities or tours previously. It is recommended that participants dress in layers and wear comfortable walking shoes/boots to board and de-board the chartered motor coaches. Each motor coach holds approx. 45 people. The Ranch & Eagle Tour includes a buffet lunch which is served immediately following the tour in the Shannon Ballroom at the Carson Valley Inn. Participants are strongly encouraged to bring their own spotting scopes, binoculars and cameras.*
9. **What type of skills do I need to have to take the Photo Workshop and what does it consist of?** *We are pleased to welcome back Instructor Craig Moore, who brings more than 30 years of photography instruction to the workshop. The Eagles and Ag Photo Workshop consists of two sessions. Saturday evening's seminar is conducted in a classroom setting at the Holiday Inn Express & Suites. It is geared towards the beginner and intermediate photographer. To get the most out of this workshop, a digital SLR and telephoto lens are recommended. Film users are also welcome. The first session on Saturday evening consists of a presentation covering: camera equipment, lens choice, tripods, flash and other accessories, exposure techniques, and composition, as they relate to nature photography. Please bring your camera and equipment. The goal of this workshop will be to prepare students to be successful in capturing images of eagles, owls, and other wildlife with their own equipment at the second session Sunday morning. That session is led by local wildlife photographer John T Humphrey and the bus for that field exercise leaves Sunday morning from the Holiday Inn Express & Suites.*
10. **Can I sign up for more than one event?** *Yes! Many past participants have participated in multiple events because we set up the schedule to facilitate that. Just be sure that the event times do not directly conflict. If you have any questions or are unsure, please call and we will be happy to assist you.*

**FOR ALL EVENTS:**

**BE SURE TO BRING YOUR CAMERA, EXTRA FILM/BATTERIES & MEMORY CHIPS, BINOCULARS, TRIPOD AND SUNSCREEN.**

**THE REALLY IMPORTANT STUFF FROM THE TOP THAT YOU JUST GLOSSED OVER**

- YOUR RESERVATION ISN'T GUARANTEED UNTIL WE HAVE RECEIVED PAYMENT.
- THURSDAY NIGHT'S EVENT IS AT THE DOUGLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY & SENIOR CENTER ON WATERLOO LANE, JUST OFF HWY 395 IN GARDNERVILLE.
- THURSDAY NIGHT'S EVENT IS NOT A DINNER, IT OFFERS SNACKS ALONG WITH A CASH BAR.
- THE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP CLASS ON SATURDAY EVENING IS HELD AT THE HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES.
- THE BUS FOR THE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP FIELD EXERCISE ON SUNDAY MORNING DEPARTS FROM THE HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES.
- UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, EVERYTHING STARTS AND ENDS AT THE CARSON VALLEY INN.
- WE REALLY DO NEED YOU TO CHECK IN FOR EACH OF YOUR ACTIVITIES 30 MINUTES BEFORE YOUR TOUR TIME, EVEN IF YOU HAVE ALREADY TAKEN AN EARLIER TOUR OR ATTENDED AN EARLIER EVENT.