

# The Kirtland Warbler

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## Cleveland Bird Calendar

Larry Rosche is stepping down as editor of the Cleveland Bird Calendar after 16 years of excellent work. We are very grateful for his dedication to bringing out a high quality production through his writing, editing and assisting in the publishing process. We all thank you, Larry, for maintaining this project at such high quality and interest for so long.

Kevin Metcalf will be our new editor of the Cleveland Bird Calendar. We have assembled a team of volunteers to assist Kevin in gathering the sightings that will be documented in each issue. In order to standardize (and streamline) the compiling of the data and to encourage us to more easily contribute our sightings, we have an entry form on our web site. The link is <http://www.kirtlandbirdclub.org/cbc/cbc.htm>  
You have a choice of Excel or PDF formats

## Gull Symposium

Winter gull season is here, so don't miss the Gull Symposium co-sponsored by KBC and OOS on January 8<sup>th</sup> at Rocky River Nature Center. This might be just the program you need to brush up on your gull identification skills! You can register using the forms you recently received in the mail or you can now register online with your Pay Pal account on the KBC website at:

[http://www.kirtlandbirdclub.org/gull\\_symposium\\_sales.htm](http://www.kirtlandbirdclub.org/gull_symposium_sales.htm).

While at the website you can shop for gull books and videos and other books, many at Symposium discounted prices. Your purchases will be available for pickup at the Symposium.

**MEETINGS AND TRIPS 2004-2005: Check this section every issue, since changes in scheduling may occur.**

Meetings are held at 7:30 at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History on the first Wednesday of the month unless otherwise noted. Consider coming early to get a parking spot at the museum, since there are often multiple events being held the same night as our meeting. Parking is also available at the Cleveland Museum of Art.

Local trip contact: Paula Lozano 216 226-7511

Van trip contact: Karin Tanquist 330 342-3886

Other inquiries: 216 556-0700

## JANUARY 2005

**Meeting: Wednesday, January 5, 2005, 7:30 p.m., CMNH**

**Program:** "Cloud Forests of Ecuador" Ecuador's cloud forests are one of the most biologically diverse and beautiful ecosystems. Join naturalist Tim Krynak for a visit to Reserva Las Gralarias, a private cloud forest reserve set aside to protect endemic birds. As a volunteer for an ongoing bird-banding project, Tim will share his adventures and why it is important to protect this area.

**Gull Symposium:** Saturday, January 8, 2005 – Registration required.

**Local Trip:** Saturday, January 15 2005---8:30 a.m.

**Where:** Cleveland Lakefront ---E. 72nd Street

**Directions:** Shoreway (I-90) east to MLK, Jr. Drive, Meet in the parking lot at East 72nd Street.

**Target Species:** Wintering gulls and waterfowl

**Notes:** Dress for the weather...usually COLD and WINDY!

**Leader:** John Pogacnik

**Website:** <http://pw1.netcom/~djhh/1sites.html#e77gpl>

**Van Trip:** Ohio Museum of Biodiversity in Columbus, plus birding on the way home.

**When:** January 22, 2005. Carpool from Clarion Hotel at Rockside and I-77 in the morning and return the same day. Contact Karin Tanquist at (330) 342-3886 or e-mail at [klt@neo.rr.com](mailto:klt@neo.rr.com) for reservations and let her know if you are willing to drive and what specimens you would like to see. Birding location on the way home will be decided based on weather and species reported.

## FEBRUARY 2005

**Meeting:** Wednesday, February 2, 2005, 7:30 p.m., CMNH

**Program:** "Ohio Barn Owls" Tom Henry from ODNR will tell us how barn owls are doing in Ohio.

**Local Trip: Saturday, February 5, 2005 - 8:30 a.m.**

**Where:** Holden Arboretum

**Directions:** I-90 East to Mentor, Kirtland exit (#193), turn right onto Rt. 306 continue on Rt. 306 to the bottom of the hill. Turn left on to JCT 615. At the first traffic light, turn right on Kirtland-Chardon Road. Travel 3.6 miles to Sperry Road. Turn left on Sperry Road. Travel 1.4 miles, turn left to Visitor Center.

**Target Species:** Possible wintering finches and Northern Shrike.

**Notes:** Dress for weather conditions! And please note, there is an entrance fee of \$4.00 for non-members.

**Website:** [www.holdenarb.org](http://www.holdenarb.org)

**Leader:** Haans Petruschke

**Van Trip to "the Sault", February 18, 19, 20, 21, 2005, Presidents Day Weekend,** for winter grosbeaks, boreal chickadees, gray jays, and (sometimes) a hawk owl.

**When:** The trip will leave for Upper Michigan on Friday at 2 p.m. (note earlier time) from the Clarion Hotel at Rockside and I-77, and will return early Monday evening.

**Cost** is \$25 to reserve your spot on the van, plus accommodations, gas and food. Please contact Karin Tanquist at (330) 342-3886 or email at [klt@neo.rr.com](mailto:klt@neo.rr.com) for reservations and further information.

## MARCH 2005

**Meeting: Wednesday, March 2, 2005, 7:30 p.m., CMNH**

**Program:** "How Migrating Birds Use Utility Corridors" by Dan Petit of the Cleveland Metroparks.

**Local Trip: Saturday, March 19, 2005, 8:30 a.m.**

**Where:** NEW TRIP – Killbuck Marsh Wildlife area, Ashland & Wayne counties

**Meeting Location:** The Bob Evans parking lot on the corner of Rt. 30 & Madison Avenue/Robinson Road in Wooster at 8:30 a.m., breakfast at 7:30 a.m. for early birds.

**Directions:** Take I-71 South and at exit 204, make a left on SR 83. At the exit for US 30, take the ramp to SR 3. Follow the signs for Bob Evans to 550 Robinson Road.

**Target Species:** Waterfowl & early spring migrants.

**Leader:** Su Snyder

**Website:** <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/wildlife/Images/wildarea/klbuck.g>

**Van Trip to Killdeer Plains, Saturday, March 12, 2005.** This is a one day trip targeting winter birds and owls. We leave Saturday at 7 a.m. from the Clarion Hotel at Rockside and I-77 and will return around 8 p.m. Cost is \$25 to reserve your spot on the van. Please contact Karin Tanquist at (330) 342-3886 or email her at [klt@neo.rr.com](mailto:klt@neo.rr.com) for reservations and additional information.

## APRIL 2005

**Meeting: Wednesday, April 6, 2005, 7:30 p.m., CMNH**

**Program:** To be announced.

**Local Trip: Sunday April 10, 2005, 8:00 a.m.**

**Where: Sandy Ridge – Lorain County**

**Directions:** I-90 West to the SR-611. Turn left (south) on SR-611. At Detroit Road intersection, continue straight ahead on Stony Ridge Road. Turn right (west) on Barres Road and left (south) at **red barn** on Otten Road and left at park entrance. Meet in parking lot at the Perry F. Johnson Wetland Center.

**Target Species:** Early migrants, sparrows, and waterfowl

**Leader:** Paula Lozano

**Website:** [www.loraincountymetroparks.com/maps/sandy.html](http://www.loraincountymetroparks.com/maps/sandy.html)

**Van Trip: Shawnee State Forest & the OOS Annual Conference.** This new trip will combine birding in Shawnee State Forest (the largest State Forest in Ohio) and OOS Conference programs.

**When: April 29, 30 & May 1.** The trip will leave Friday at 4 p.m. from the Clarion Hotel at Rockside and I-77, and will return Sunday early evening. Cost is \$25 to reserve your spot on the van, plus accommodations and food. Please contact Karin Tanquist at (330) 342-3886 or email at [klt@neo.rr.com](mailto:klt@neo.rr.com) for reservations and additional information.

## MAY 2005

**Meeting: Wednesday, May 4, 2005, 7:30 p.m., CMNH**

**Program:** To be announced

**Local trip:** No trip this month

**Van Trip to West Virginia over Memorial Day Weekend.** More details later. The trip will leave Friday at 4:00 p.m. from the Clarion Hotel at Rockside and I-77 and will return on Monday early evening. Cost is \$25 to reserve your spot on the van. Please contact Karin Tanquist at (330) 342-3886 to reserve your spot on the van and receive additional information.

## JUNE 2005

**Meeting: Wednesday, June 1, 2005, 7:30 p.m., CMNH**

**Program:** To be announced

**Local Trip: Saturday, June 4, 2005 – 8:00 a.m.**

**Where: NEW TRIP! Hinckley Reservation, Cleveland Metroparks**

**Directions:** From I-71 North or South: Exit at SR 303 and go east on SR 303 to SR 606 (Hinckley Hills Rd.) Turn right (south) on SR606 (Hinckley Hills Rd) to Bellus Rd. Turn left (east) on Bellus Rd. The Hinckley Reservaton's West Drive entrance is 1000 ft. on the right. Turn right (south) on West Dr. and meet at the Hindkley Lake Boathouse parking lot.

**Target Species:** Nesting Birds

**Leader:** David Dvorak

**NOTE: Be prepared for wet hiking**

**Website:** <http://www.clemetparks.com/visit/index.asp?ispopup=yes&action=rmaps&reservations id=1011>

**Van Trip:** To be announced

## **JULY 2005**

### **Picnic Pot Luck and Bird Walk - July 9th, 2005 8:00 a.m. - Bath Nature Preserve – Bath Township**

A pot luck lunch will follow the bird walk at the preserve. Bring your tableware, a beverage, and a dish to share. Come for the walk or join us for the walk and lunch. All are welcome!

**Directions:** The Bath Nature Preserve has an entrance on Hickory Farm Lane at 4160 Ira Road. From I-77 South, take exit 10. At exit 143 turn right onto SR 176 (Wheatley Road). Make a right onto Brecksville Road (Cleveland Massillon Road) and turn right onto Ira Road. The entrance to the parking lot is on the left.

**Target Species:** Nesting birds and grassland species

**Leader:** Ed Pierce

**Website:** <http://www.bathtownship.org/parks/page5.html>

## **AUGUST 2005**

### **Sunday, August 14, 2005 - 9:30 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. - Third Annual Dragonfly & Butterfly Walk and Picnic**

Picnic Potluck at Linda Gilbert's place at 1600 Bell Street in South Russell, OH. Bring your tableware, a beverage and a dish to share. Come armed with your Dragonfly and Butterfly guides and a butterfly net and join us to spend the morning on the Gilbert property. Larry Rosche and Lou Gardella will join us to lead this field trip. We will stop and have a picnic lunch at a picnic area on the property. Just follow the driveway back to the area. Please note the address: this is the driveway before the one you used to view the Brown-headed Nuthatch when going east down Bell street. For information, call Delores Cole at (440) 461-1084

## **ROSTER**

**A new roster is nearly completed and will be sent to you within 2 weeks!**