



The Kirtland Warbler

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HERE IS A LIST OF OUR EVENTS FOR THE YEAR AS THEY ARE NOW CONSTITUTED. THERE ARE OFTEN CHANGES IN THE SCHEDULE, SO READ YOUR NEWSLETTERS DILIGENTLY AND CALL THE LEADERS OF EVENTS IN CHARGE IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION.

Please note that meeting times this year are at 7:30, 15 minutes earlier than previous years.

MEETING AND TRIP SCHEDULE

MARCH

Meeting:

Wednesday, March 3, 2004 – 7:30 pm – Cleveland Museum of Natural History

"Sparrow Identification" Kevin Metcalf, Cleveland Metropark Naturalist and Ohio Artist will provide us with tips to identify the sparrows that visit and stay in Ohio.

Local Trip:

Sunday, March 14, 2004 - 8:30 a.m.

Where: Erie County –Castalia, Resthaven Wildlife Area & Sandusky Bay

Directions: I-90 West to US-6 West to the SR-101 exit for Castalia. Turn left (south) and meets at the parking area on the north side of the pond. (Where SR-101 turns right, turn left and then immediately right into the parking area!)

Target species: Waterfowl & early spring migrants

Leader: Paula Lozano

Note: Once again, depending on what's being reported, sites visited may change.

Van Trip:

March 13, 2003 (Saturday only): Killdeer Plains for the owls and more winter birds. Cost and time to be announced. Please contact Karin Tanquist at (330) 342-3886 or email at klt@neo.rr.com for reservations and additional information.

APRIL

Meeting:

Wednesday, April 7, 2004 – 7:30 pm – Cleveland Museum of Natural History

"Galapagos Islands" Pat Rydquist, a Naturalist for Metro Parks serving Summit County, is an avid birder and student of tropical ecology. She will talk on the flora, fauna and culture of the Galapagos Islands.

Local Trip:

Saturday, April 17, 2004 - 7:30 a.m.

Where: Cuyahoga Valley National Park – Ira Road

Directions: Take I77 South to Brecksville Road (Route 21) South and then turn left (East) on Ira

MEETING AND TRIP SCHEDULE continued

Road or, take I-77 south to Wheatley Road. Take Wheatley Road east to Everett Road and continue east on Everett Road to Riverview Road. Take Riverview Road south to the Ira Road trailhead parking lot. The trailhead parking lot is just north of the intersection of Riverview and Ira Roads.

Target species: Spring migrants

Leaders: Mary Anne and Tom Romito

Van Trip:

April 23, 24, 25, 2004: Hocking Hills, Ohio, for early spring migrating warblers. The trip will leave Friday, 4 p.m., from The Clarion Hotel (formerly Sheraton Four Points 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 for reservations and additional information.

MAY

Meeting:

Wednesday, May 5, 2004, 7:30 pm Cleveland Museum of Natural History

Program: Tom Henry from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources will talk about osprey reintroduction in Ohio.

Local Trip:

Saturday, May 1, 2004 - 8:00 a.m.

Where: Firestone Metropark, Akron, Summit County
Tuscarawas Meadow Area off Harrington Road.

Directions: Take I-77 South to I-277 East/US Route 224 East. Exit at South Main Street, turning right (south) and continuing for approximately one mile, Turn left (east) on Warner Road, left again on Harrington Road and immediately left into the Tuscarawas Meadow's parking lot. An alternate way from I-277 East/US Route 224 East is to continue approximately ½ mile to the Harrington Road Exit. Continue straight ahead on Schwartz Road; turn right on Harrington Road and right at the entrance to the Tuscarawas Meadow parking lot.

Target species: Warblers and flycatchers.

Leader: Ed Pierce

Van Trip:

May 14, 15, 16, 2004---Warbler Grand Slam!

Where: Pt. Pelee, Ontario, and Magee Marsh/Crane Creek State Park

Target Species: Migrating warblers dripping from the trees (if we hit it right)!

Trip details: Leave Friday 4 p.m. from the Clarion Hotel (formerly Sheraton Four Points Hotel) at Rockside and I-77. Return Sunday early evening. Cost is \$ 25 to reserve your place on the van, plus accommodations and food. Please contact Karin Tanquist at (330) 342-3886 or email at klt@neo.rr.com for reservations and additional information.

JUNE

Meeting:

Wednesday, June 2, 2004 – Program to be announced

Place: Shaker Lakes Nature Center

Time: Bird walk at 6:30 p.m. before the meeting, program time is 7:30 p.m.

Program: "Spring & Fall Migration from Kelleys Island". Tom Bartlett, Master Bander, Teacher and Birder will share his experiences about spring and fall migration from Kelleys Island situated in the Western basin of Lake Erie.

Van Trip:

June 12. 13. 14, 2004

Where: KBC's trip to **Adams County, Ohio** for nesting warblers and late migrants.

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JULY

Picnic:

Date, and location to be announced.

Picnic Pot Luck at 5:30 pm

Bring your tableware and a dish to share.

AUGUST

Picnic:

Sunday, August 1, 2004---9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Second Annual Dragonfly & Butterfly Walk & Picnic

Where: Linda Gilbert's, 1604 Bell St., South Russell, OH

Target Species: Dragonflies, Butterflies, & Birds

Picnic Potluck: Bring your tableware, a beverage and a dish to share.

Come armed with your Dragonfly & 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 have a picnic lunch at a picnic area on the property. Just follow the driveway back to the area (This is the driveway before the one used to visit the brown-headed nuthatch). **For information call**

Delores Cole at (440) 461-1084 or email delorescole@ndtc.net

Directions to Gilbert's property: From 271N take 422 East to SR 306 and go north. Turn right on Bell Street to 1600 Bell Street, South Russell, Ohio. Bell Street runs between SR 306 and SR44.

SEPTEMBER

Van Trip:

September 17, 18 & 19, 2004: KBC's fall warbler trip to **Kelleys Island** for searching out migrants around the island including stops at Medusa Marsh and Pickerel Creek. We will be staying at an island cottage and will bring breakfast and lunch food supplies and have dinner out. You will need to bring bedding/sleeping bag and towels. Cost is \$25 to reserve your place on the van plus food, ferry fee and lodging. Contact Delores Cole at 440 461-1084 or email delorescole@ndtc.net for reservations and more details.

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Volunteers needed for Resource List.

Occasionally, we receive requests for speakers, for birding articles, or for "guides" to assist out-of-town birders. We'd like to know if you would occasionally be available for one or more of these or other volunteer efforts. We recently were contacted by the Cleveland Metroparks regarding a birding event they are having in mid-April. If we want to have a table to acquaint people with our club, we will need members to staff it. Again, contact me or Mary Anne.

Opportunity Knocks!!!

KBC members Marilyn and Sheldon MacCleod will give \$5.00 for every \$1.00 donation by a member, individual or corporate (not a foundation) donation to our project of revising the 1954 Birds of Cleveland publication. We thank the McLeod's for this generous challenge donation. Send your donation to Mary Anne Romito to help make this publication a reality.

We have also received a \$500.00 donation for our La Mucuy Bird Observatory project in Venezuela. We are providing supplies for a bird banding project. See our website for further details.

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