

Kirtland Bird Club
MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 7, 2015

1. CONVENING. President Lukas Padegimas called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm. at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. Thirty people attended, including guests Anne Bellingham, Jay Graham, and Henry Boman.
2. MINUTES. Recording Secretary Tom Romito read the November 5 meeting minutes, which the membership present accepted with no corrections.
3. TREASURY.
 - a. Treasurer Mary Anne Romito reported that 93 members have paid dues and 53 have not.
 - b. The Tom Lepage Scholarship Fund has \$655 and the Project Snowstorm fund has \$639.
4. FIELD TRIPS. President Lukas Padegimas reported that KBC member Andy Jones has volunteered to coordinate the Christmas Bird Count this year. Chuck Slusarsyk will lead our January 17 field trip to E.72d St.
5. ANNOUNCEMENTS.
 - a. President Lukas Padegimas announced that Project Snowstorm is moving forward, according to Black Swamp Bird Observatory.
 - b. President Lukas Padegimas also reported that the Cleveland Port Authority was going to build a bike path and bridge at Cleveland Lakefront Nature Preserve. Lukas subsequently reported that the Port Authority cancelled this plan. Laura Gooch will update us on the CLNP bird survey project at the February meeting.
 - c. Bob Finkelstein noted that this year is the 75th anniversary of the founding of KBC.
 - d. President Lukas Padegimas announced that the spring bird walks at North Chagrin Reservation needs a leader and asked for a KBC member to volunteer to do this.
 - e. President Lukas Padegimas announced that Becky MacKay will speak at the February 4 KBC meeting on the raptor survey in the Cleveland Metroparks.
6. SPEAKER. President Lukas Padegimas introduced Ethan Kistler, who gave a presentation on changes in the birds of South Africa.
7. OBSERVATIONS. Tom Romito conducted observations for the period from December 4 through January 6, which are attached to these minutes.
8. ADJOURNMENT. President Lukas Padegimas adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

OBSERVATIONS FOR DECEMBER 4 – JANUARY 7, 2015

OBSERVER	LOCATION	SIGHTINGS
Tom Romito	Wendy Park	Hoary Redpoll
Linda Johnson	Nature Center at Shaker Lakes	2 Pileated Woodpeckers
Paula Lozano	Lakewood	Sandhill Crane
Bob Finkelstein	Cuyahoga County Airport	Snowy Owl
Andy Jones	Cleveland Heights	Carolina Wren
Clay Graham	Tallmadge	Merlin
Dave Dvorak	Rocky River Nature Center	Winter Wren
Mary Anne Romito	Burke Lakefront Airport Ira Road in CVNP	Snowy Owl Bald Eagle
Vic Fazio	Sandusky Bay	Many Scaup
Jean Hoffman	Lakeview Cemetary	Merlin
Anna Julnes	Oakwood Park	Merlin