

Kirtland Bird Club
Date 9/1/21– Meeting Minutes

1. – **Meeting started at 7 PM** by Patty Kellner .

22 screens were online on the ZOOM platform. The meeting was recorded.

2. – **Speaker:** There was no single speaker. The Topic was Future Directions for the Club

A. KBC moving forward

i. What we do – enjoy birds, education learn science and some conservation, bring more people in

B.KBC Website tour

i. Welcome

ii. Activities

iii. Bird Calendar

iv. Field trips upcoming and past and other activities, including CBC's(Christmas Bird Counts)

v. Ohio Avian Project Initiative

vi. Other things we gave grant to support.

vii.No scholarships given during pandemic

viii. 3 issues of Cleveland Bird Calendar coming

ix. Newsletters

Membership information

C. Archives

i. Birding while black stories

ii. Records of past speakers

iii. CHEERS

iv. Andy's annual presentation

v. Bird ID programs

- vi. Birding for new birders
- vii. Both vi and vii available to review
- viii. Some favorite birding spots
- ix. Photo gallery
- x. Resources for new birders
 - a. Links: including to Ohio Ornithological Society
 - b. Wilderness road in Holmes county- can look up on internet per Andy
 - c. Backyard birding
 - d. Bird feeders

3. Sightings and other things of interest:

- A. Joe Blanda- Wetmore trail; CVNP (golden winged warbler)
- B. Judy Wilkinson gave a slide of a great horned owl nest next door
- C. Patty talked about the first time in 83 years there was a piping plover nest at Magee Marsh

- D. Julie West of Shaker Lakes Nature Center : the Big Sit ; it is the 17th year for SLNC Boardwalk- started by the New Haven Bird club 25 years ago - small circle and report all species that you see or hear in 24 hour period. SLNC dusk to dawn- 32 as the least and 70 species was the max (last year). It is the second Sunday in October.- All are welcome to stop by (unless Covid is more of a problem) . Also they have bird walks 9/15- need to register due to covid. 10/10 Sunday 8 AM

- E. Ken Vince : Northeast Ohio Regional bird calendar hosted by the Kirtland bird club: ONE PLACE FOR EVERYONE IN OUR AREA TO LEARN ABOUT BIRDS
 - a. concepts
 - b. rationales discussed

- c. Events posted from 15 participating organizations (includes 2 from MN)
- d. Scope and purpose
- e. Habitat conservation and restoration
- f. Expanding the reach of birding and love of nature
- g. Website listening in Nature.blogspot.com

F. Allison Lim- Loaner Binoculars

G.Fred Dinkelbach: new e-bird account for Kirtland Bird Club- asking anyone with a checklist from any of our field trips to share it.

H.Matt Valencic : Audubon of greater Cleveland Junior Birders Program in February (2-6th grade)(except 2021 due to Covid.).Owl Pellets very successful. Third Thursday programs.

6.- Future Speakers:

- a. October: Matt Valencic will present planting for birds and pollinators
- b. November: not yet filled
- c .December: considering trying to get Tykee James in DC (takes members of congress on nature trips) .A variety of funding options were discussed ,including state-wide Audubon ,with a large Zoom Platform . It may cost\$500-1500 . may try to do this in conjunction with other bird clubs, and other nature groups such as Holden Arboretum, ect. May try this for the Christmas time meeting
- d. January : Andy Jones will give his annual talk
- e. other possibilities:
 - i. Anna Kozlenko could talk about Eastern Russia
 - ii. Joe Blanda offered a presentation of places he has been birding

- iii. Gautam has offered to talk about a career in ornithology
- iv. Dwight Chasar could talk about Jerod Kirtland

7. **Adjournment of main meeting:** main meeting was adjourned at 8:31 PM

8.- **After this some board members stayed to discuss changing the name of the bird club**(as many outsiders think it is located in Kirtland, OH):

10. **Adjournment:** meeting was completely adjourned at 9 PM