

# KIRTLAND BIRD CLUB

## MEETING MINUTES FOR APRIL 4, 2018

1. CONVENING: Pres. Dale Gaul called the meeting to order at 7:40p. There were 34 people in attendance including the evening's speaker, Elizabeth Ames

2. ANNOUCEMENTS:

i. Membership Committee Representative Dana Bjorklund informed that at her maiden Birding and Brew event held at the Nature Center at Shaker Lakes, 3/31/2018, 8:30a, a dozen birders showed up, including two novices. She said that 22 species were seen and that after the walk, participants ate breakfast at the Stone Oven, Cleveland Heights.

ii. Social Media Coordinator Anna Julnes updated the group that petitions against proposed logging of Ladue Reservoir were in the rear of the meeting room.

iii. Anna let meeting attendees know that KBC members now get a \$6.00 parking rate if they check in with museum security before exiting.

iv. A member advised attendees that the catalog of the Nature Center at Shaker Lakes spring plant sale is online at shakerlakes.org, and that the catalog features native species for a physical sale 5/12/2018 or online delivery 5/9/2018

v. Dale shared that eagle nests were videographed in Lorain County. He specified that one in Avon Lake on Redwood Blvd. contained 2-3 eggs and was thought to hatch by the end of the meeting week; he indicated that the web cam images for that nest could be viewed by typing "Avon Lake bald eagles" into a search engine. He then conveyed that the Sandy Ridge Reservation bald eagle nest web cam had images viewable by visiting the Lorain County Metroparks website and clicking the appropriate link.

3. GUESTS: Mike Jensen, relocatee from MI;

4. MINUTES: Recording Secretary Laura Peskin read the 3/7/2018 minutes; all approved. *(After the meeting in a KBC board online discussion, VP Romitio questioned an item and Dale responded that Secretary Laura Peskin had mistakenly placed an erroneous paragraph in the minutes. After learning this, Laura removed the paragraph. The minutes had not been put online and that juncture, but were uploaded shortly afterwards.)*

5. FIELD TRIPS.

Dale relayed the March trip to Ladue Reservoir on 3/25/2018, with Kelly Kazlowski & Matt Valencic turned up 40 species that had been transferred to e-bird. He identified the trip's highlights as Osprey, Ring-necked Ducks, and at least two species of merganser.

Dale went on that the next field trip would be to Columbia Reservation (Lorain Metroparks) , 4/28/2018, Columbia Station, OH. He also announced that 4/27-4/30/2018 would be the City Nature Challenge, global challenge between cities for the most biodiversity and participation, in which Cleveland-Akron- Canton (including most intermittent and surrounding counties) is a contestant, Dale explained that observations at this event would be entered into i-naturalist and that he would send an email to all KBC members giving more details about the Challenge.

6. SPEAKER: Elizabeth Ames, OSU “Linking Winter Habitat, Phenology and Post-fledging Survival in a Migratory Warbler (Prothonotary Warbler)” Ames introduced herself as a PhD candidate in Environment and Natural Resources, and that she had studied in Hawaii, Jamaica, California, and other areas.

Dale broadcast the May 2018 KBC Members’ Meeting speaker as Ryan Tremblath, who will give a talk entitled *AB Williams Woods: Composition and Dynamics of a Beech Maple Climax Community, 1930-Today*.

7. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.