

**Kirtland Bird Club**  
**Date 9/2/20– Meeting Minutes**

1. – **Meeting started at 8:06** PM by Patty Kellner

50 screens + over 50 people were online on the ZOOM platform

The presentation will be recorded and put on website when it is done

2. – **Introduced.**

Alfred from Egypt introduced himself.

3. - **Speaker: John Barber**

Topic: "A New Primer for Backyard Bird Feeding"

Followed by a question and answer session, moderated by Christ Carlson

There was a handout attached to patty's e-mail of Wed, Sep 2 at 9:01 AM

and the handout is on our website- last tab at the top under native plant

information under the "more" tab. His Email:[www.ecologicalheights.com](http://www.ecologicalheights.com)

4. **Other updates/announcements:**

A. Old business:

1. committee reports: black birder initiative (Patty spoke with a group called Black Environmental Leaders)

a. Patty is making an email list, get in touch if you'd like to be added.

b. looking to participate in BEL's arbor day event in 2021

c. hoping we can do a joint program with BEL for KBC

d. Patty said she would also like to build a loaner binocular collection to use on field trips, for all low income communities with an initial goal of 10 sets of adequate binoculars (\$250) with a fundraising match from KBC of up to \$1000. . This will be proposed at next month's meeting.

B. New business:

1. Volunteer Opportunities:

- a. Laura Gooch – CLNP survey 1/month to 1/week( starts at sunrise and takes 3-3.5 hours), whatever you can manage Must be able to identify what you see and hear. Mon, Wed, Fridays available. Look for further information in an e-mail
- b. Marketing & Publicity – calendar invites- this will allow us to list events for our group and other” bird related “groups.
- c. Membership – helping track memberships
- d. We are looking for a Tech GURU
- e. Habitat/Conservation/Environment Committee? Take back White City Beach in Bratenahl? Liaison to all planting initiatives by municipalities and non-profits?
- f. Organization liaisons

**5.- Upcoming meeting and activities for KBC and other programs of interest:**

- A. Next month: Steve Cagan; conservation efforts in Columbia
- B. Other commitments: Laura Erickson ( from Minnesota- in December, about birds of her area), Ben Winger( initially a young birder in club, now professor in MI), Ethan Kistler( another former young birder. Now an international bird guide), Jim Bissell ( CHMH native areas), Andy Jones (January Christmas bird count and bird updates)
- C. Previous on line ID sessions for warblers and shorebirds.- will have a duck session, but don't have a date yet. Willing to set up non-warbler fall migrants. Maybe gulls
- D. Upcoming Programs of note from other organizations
  - 1.ASGC: Chagrin River Bird Quest 9/11
  2. BSBO: Fall Warbler ID Sat 9/12, 7:00 PM
  3. WCAS: Urban Agriculture Program for teens – looking for sponsors

**6.Sightings:** pied kingfisher ( Egypt), brown booby ( the brown pelican is back at Wendy Park)

7. -**Recording Secretary report:** deferred to next meeting

8.- **Treasurer Report** .deferred to next meeting

9 . - **Field trips: on hold** .

10. **Adjournment:** main meeting was adjourned at 9:35PM  
Next meeting Wed, October 7 @ 7:30 PM