

June

Birding at Acacia Reservation

Date & Time: Saturday, June 3, 2017; 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Location: Acacia Reservation, Cedar Rd, Lyndhurst, OH 44124

Leader: Wendy Weirich, Director of Outdoor Education at Cleveland Metroparks

Target Species: Grassland species

Description: Wendy Weirich will lead this walk at Acacia Reservation, a 155-acre former golf course returning to a natural state. Park in the lot off of Cedar road. Meet between the banquet center and the old cart barn/restroom. Directions: Take I-271 to the Cedar/Brainard exit. Take Cedar Road West. Entrance to Acacia is only a short distance. It will be on the right, across the street from Cleveland Clinic buildings and Beachwood Mall.

Annual Picnic, Plant Exchange & Bird Walk

Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 6:00 pm (no rain will fall this evening!)

Location: Lagoon Picnic Area, Valley Parkway, between Cedar Point Road and Spafford Road, south of Rocky River Nature Center (NOT at Rocky River Nature Center – held outdoors at a picnic shelter.)

Leader: Nancy Howell, Educator and Naturalist

Target Species: Nesting and resident species

Description: Our annual Audubon picnic and plant exchange. Bring your dinner (grill will be available for cooking), your family or friends AND bring any plants, seeds, bulbs that need homes. They can be houseplants or outdoor plants. If you don't have any plants to bring that is OK, but adopt an "orphan" plant. We also have a bird walk after dinner.

Bobolinks at Byers Woods – Ashland County Park District

Date: Saturday, June 24, 2017

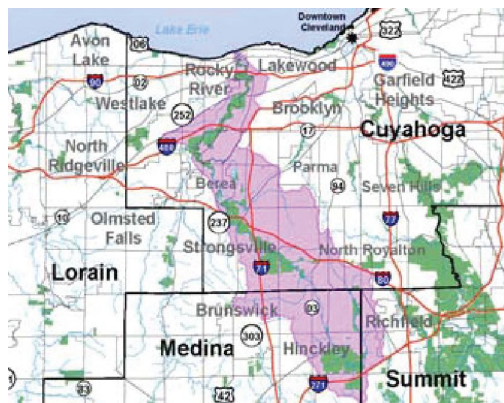
Time: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Location: Byers Woods, 675 County Rd 1754, Ashland, OH 44805

Leaders: Experienced birders

Target Species: Bobolinks, Meadowlarks, Grassland species

Description: Greater Mohican Audubon annual Bobolink Festival at Byers Woods, on reclaimed landfill turf. See Bobolinks, Meadowlarks, and a variety other grassland specialists. Butterflies too!



This map shows the area of interest of the Western Cuyahoga Audubon. We operate in the west side of Cleveland, approximately from the Cuyahoga River west to Avon Lake and south to Hinckley, Ohio. **The area shaded in lavender is the Rocky River Important Bird Area (IBA).**

There are five other Audubon chapters in Northeast Ohio, including Blackbrook Audubon Society, Audubon Society of Greater Cleveland, Akron Audubon Society, Canton Audubon Society, and Black River Audubon Society.

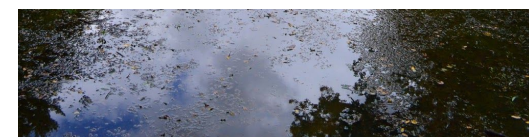


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Bird Walks & Field Trips



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January

Second Saturday Bird Walk

Date & Time: Saturday, January 14, 2017; 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Location: Rocky River Nature Center, Rocky River Reservation, 24000 Valley Pkwy, North Olmsted, OH 44070
Leaders: Bill Deininger, Ken Gober, Dave Graskemper
Target Species: Winter residents
Description: Winter can be a rewarding time with woodpeckers, sparrows, brown creepers. Sometimes the Redpolls appear. Worth a walk in the woods!

Field Trip to Edgewater Park and Wendy Park

Event: Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society and Kirtland Bird Club Field Trip
Date & Time: Saturday, January 28, 2017 at 9:00 am
Location: Meet at Edgewater Park, by the fishing Pier
Leader: Chuck Slusarczyk, Jr.
Target Species: Gulls
Description: We will meet at Edgewater Park in Cleveland, lower beach area by the fishing pier. Conditions permitting we'll bird Edgewater to Wendy Park. Look for a variety of gull species! Wear lots of layers. Wind off the lake is brisk.

February

Second Saturday Bird Walk

Date & Time: Saturday, February 11, 2017; 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Location: Meet in the parking lot of the Rocky River Nature Center, Rocky River Reservation, 24000 Valley Pkwy, North Olmsted, OH 44070
Leaders: Bill Deininger, Ken Gober, Dave Graskemper
Target Species: Winter residents

Field Trip to Lake Erie Nature and Science Center

Date & Time: Sunday, February 19, 2017; 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Location: Lake Erie Nature and Science Center, 28728 Wolf Rd. Bay Village, OH 44140
Leader: Tim Jasinski, Wildlife Rehabilitation Specialist
Description: Bird the woods and fields of Huntington Reservation. Results entered in the Great Backyard Bird Count.

March

Second Saturday Bird Walk

Date & Time: Saturday, March 11, 2017; 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Location: Rocky River Nature Center, 24000 Valley Parkway, North Olmsted, OH 44070. Meet in the parking lot at Cleveland Metroparks Rocky River Nature Center.
Leaders: Bill Deininger, Ken Gober, Dave Graskemper
Target Species: Resident species and migrants
Description: Monthly Second Saturday walks are a great opportunity for birders of all skill levels to enjoy the woods and wetlands around the Cleveland Metroparks Rocky River Nature Center.

Field Trip to Carlisle Reservation Equestrian Area

Event: Field Trip to Carlisle Reservation Equestrian Area
Date & Time: Sunday, March 26, 2017; 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Location: Carlisle Reservation, Equestrian Area, Lorain County Metro Parks, Oberlin, OH 44074
Leaders: Harry Spencer
Target Species: Eastern Meadowlarks, Eastern Bluebirds
Description: Carlisle Reservation is the largest in Lorain County Metro Parks, 1,917 acres. Eastern Meadowlarks and Eastern Bluebirds are among the many species to be seen here. Black River Audubon maintains 70 bluebird boxes in the area. We'll walk Equestrian Area grassland, forest and ponds.

April

Second Saturday Bird Walk

Date & Time: Saturday, April 8, 2017; 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Location: Rocky River Nature Center, Rocky River Reservation, 24000 Valley Pkwy, North Olmsted, OH 44070
Leaders: Bill Deininger, Ken Gober, Dave Graskemper
Target Species: Downy, Hairy, Pileated, Red-headed and Red-bellied woodpeckers, Northern Flickers, Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers
Description: Will we see seven species of woodpecker on this walk? 'Tis the season. Downy, Hairy, Pileated and Red-bellied are year-round residents. Northern Flickers and Red-headed Woodpeckers are arriving for summer nesting. Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers are migrating.

Field Trip to Lake Isaac Waterfowl Sanctuary and Audubon Spring Bird Walk

Event: Field Trip to Lake Isaac Waterfowl Sanctuary and Audubon Spring Bird Walk

Date & Time: Sunday, April 30, 2017; 7:30 am – 11:30 am
Location: Lake Isaac, Middleburg Heights, OH 44130, USA
Leader: Nancy Howell

Target Species: All we can see in different habitats!
Description: Audubon Spring Bird Walk at Lake Isaac, joined by Western Cuyahoga Audubon. Western Cuyahoga Audubon birders will join in on one of the Audubon Spring Bird Walks for our April field trip. A variety of habitats around Lake Isaac includes seen here in April? Check out eBird online. The Audubon Spring Bird Walks are held on the last three Sundays in April and the first three Sundays in May at 7:30 am at many locations throughout northeast Ohio. They are sponsored by local Audubon chapters, local park districts and the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. This is the 84th year.

May

Second Saturday Bird Walk

Date & Time: Saturday, May 13, 2017; 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Location: Rocky River Nature Center, 24000 Valley Pkwy, North Olmsted, OH 44070, USA
Leaders: Bill Deininger, Ken Gober, Dave Graskemper
Target Species: Warblers
Description: It's International Migratory Bird Day! And Warblers are back! Can't wait to see them! The monthly Second Saturday walks are a great opportunity for birders of all skill levels to enjoy the woods and wetlands around the Cleveland Metroparks Rocky River Nature Center. New to birding? You will be amazed how much you can learn in this friendly group.

Early Evening Bird Walk at Lake Erie Nature and Science Center

Date & Time: Wednesday, May 17, 2017; 6:00 am – 9:00 pm
Location: Lake Erie Nature and Science Center, 28728 Wolf Rd, Bay Village, OH 44140
Leader: Tim Jasinski, Wildlife Rehabilitation Specialist
Target Species: Barred Owls and Warblers
Description: Enjoy an early evening bird walk in Huntington Reservation. Meet at Lake Erie Nature and Science Center, 28728 Wolf Rd., Bay Village, OH 44140. Good chance to see Barred Owls as well as migrating warblers.