

# Rockingham Bird Club Meeting Minutes

Meeting date: 4/7/2022

- Call to Order: the virtual April meeting of RBC will please come to order. (time: 7:00pm)  
Thank you to Robyn for hosting & welcome everyone!
- Ask for Bird Sightings (besides the newsletter, FaceBook & ShenVal Birds posts):
  - Bruce Stambaugh & Clair Mellinger: Rescued osprey attacked by Eagle, taking it to VA Wildlife Center
  - Tim Hulings: Eastern Towhee\_
  - Fletcher Bingham: Black Crowned Night Heron flying by Dayton Cargill Plant
  - Linda: Spotted Brown Thrasher at Suet feeder at her place.
  - Debbie Harrison: Pair of Brown Headed Cowbirds spotted at her house

Also during this part of the meeting, some extra comments were made:

-Milla Sue: Remarked on upcoming bird photography display at the Arts Council of the Valley's Smith House Gallery at 311 South Main Street, Harrisonburg, VA 22801. The Exhibition runs from April 1<sup>st</sup>-April 29<sup>th</sup>.

-Diane mentioned BirdCast, which is a very informative website on bird migration with a live map.  
<https://birdcast.info/>

- The Minutes from our last meeting (March 2022) have been approved by the Board and posted on the website. If no one disagrees, I'll dispense with the reading of the minutes and treat them as approved as printed.
- Committee Reports:
  - *Nominations will be made in April with elections in May. Waiting to hear from you!*  
Contact Debbie if interested in becoming a RBC officer.
  - Diane Lepkowski-Field trips –
    - Hillandale walk on Thursday April 7<sup>th</sup> was cancelled due to weather.
    - Madison Run Fire Road on 4/9 get in touch with Greg Moyers, wear shoes good for snow (possible sightings of Barred Owls) She is very excited about doing field trips again!
- Old Business
  - Work on Birds of Rockingham County Book, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, continues.
  - I do not note any other Old Business.
- New Business
  - Any new business to come before the Club?  
No
- Announcements?
  - Our next meeting is May 5<sup>th</sup>, at the Fairgrounds Horticulture Building @ 7PM with a live speaker & Club leadership elections. I'd like to get an idea of how many chairs to set up; please let me know if you'll be there. Maybe dinner beforehand?
  - Please let any Board members know of your suggestions, concerns or questions/comments.
  - VSO meeting, 4/29 – 5/1 @ Great Dismal Swamp Natl Wildlife Refuge, "Warblers & Wildflower" outing 5/7. These are in the newsletter, in case you haven't read it yet. Members get their copy prior to the posting on our website. If you're not yet a member, there's a link to join on the website.

- Anything else to come before the meeting?  
Audrey mentioned a reminder for members to pay dues, which can be done through the RBC website.
- Adjourn (If there is no objection and no further business to come before the meeting tonight, the meeting will be adjourned.)
- Meeting Adjourned @ 7:09pm.

Turn program over to Robyn Puffenbarger, Vice-Pres/Program Chair to Introduce our Speaker.  
PROGRAM: “The Kirtland’s Warbler: From the brink of extinction to a new model for endangered species conservation” by William Rapai.

Participants: 26 on Zoom (~29 people total)

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephani D. Moore". The script is cursive and fluid.

Stephani D. Moore  
April 7, 2022