

Rochester Birding Association, 144 Greystone Lane #24, Rochester, NY 14618

# EARLY 2020 EVENTS & BIRDING FIELD TRIPS

<b>JAN 1</b> Wednesday	<b>IRONDEQUOIT BAY OUTLET and DURAND-EASTMAN PARK – YEAR LIST JUMP-START</b> Get started on your annual list! We'll look for winter waterfowl at the outlet, then move to Durand-East- man Park where we will stroll Log Cabin Road and Zoo Road looking for finches, waxwings, and resident birds. Meet at 8:00 a.m. in the large parking lot on the west side of the Irondequoit Bay outlet bridge. <b>Dress warmly!</b>			
	Leaders: Norma Platt and John Boettcher 585-671-9639			
<b>Jan 11</b> Saturday	<b>BEGINNER BIRDER TRIP</b> IRONDEQUOIT BAY, LAKESHORE, GENESEE RIVER OUTLET In areas of open water, we'll look for some of the spectacular waterfowl that visit each winter, and with luck, even see a few rarities! The spots we visit feature good, close looks with very little walking. Dress warmly as we may be standing outside for 2 to 3 hours (although you are free to leave at any time!). Wear boots with good traction. Meet at 8:00 a.m. in the parking lot on the west side of the Irondequoit Bay outlet bridge. Bring your spotting scope if you have one, or share ours in turns. Leaders: Pat Martin 585-301-5485 and Rosemary Reilly 585-748-0802			
<b>JAN 11</b> Saturday	RBA WINTER DINNER AND ELECTION, 6:00 p.m., Summerville Presbyterian Church, 4845 St. Paul Blvd., Rochester, NY 14617. See the notice on p. 5 for more information.			
	JANUARY 18–26 (with January 19 as the target date) is the time for the NEW YORK STATE WATER- FOWL COUNT organized by the New York State Ornithological Association, Inc. <i>Bob Spahn</i> (585-671-5690) coordinates several local teams and would be pleased if other birders would join up. Go to <u>https://nybirds.org/ProjWaterfowl.htm</u> for more information.			
<b>Jan 18</b> Saturday	<b>BEGINNER BIRDER TRIP</b> MENDON PONDS PARK SONGBIRD TRAIL This trip will be a leisurely winter walk featuring some very close looks at our winter passerines! Bring some sunflower seeds and your camera! This is a family-friendly field trip. Meet at 9:30 a.m. at the visi- tor center on Pond Road near Clover Street. Leader: John Boettcher 585-671-9639 and co-leader Cathy Ballard 585-322-2621			
<b>Jan 25</b> Saturday	AVON AND LIMA RURAL TOUR We'll search the Nations Road area, looking for Northern Shrikes, hawks, Snow Buntings, and other birds of the fields and farmland in winter. We'll be mostly driving, with frequent stops. Carpooling would be appreciated! Meet at 2:00 p.m. at Tops Plaza in Avon on Routes 5 and 20, 2 miles west of I-390. Extra spotting scopes would be very helpful. Leaders: Jim Kimball 585-519-9211 and Rick Stevens 585-689-1882			
<b>Feb 2</b> Sunday	<b>LAKESHORE PLAINS WEST</b> A driving tour of the farm fields and open lands to the west of Rochester, this trip will search for Snow Buntings, Lapland Longspurs, Northern Shrikes, and hawks in the plains and country roads of western Monroe and Orleans Counties. If the weather cooperates, we may venture as far as Golden Hill State Park for a look at the lake and a short walk. Dress warmly in layers; bring a snack and a thermos filled with cocoa. We will drive along backcountry roads for a few hours, stopping where we see bird activity. Barring the possible walk at Golden Hill, this trip should be handicapped-accessible. Meet at <b>9:00 a.m.</b> at the Braddock Bay Park main parking lot. Use the East Manitou Road exit from the Ontario State Park- way. <b>Extra FRS radios and scopes would be very helpful.</b> <b>Leader:</b> <i>Lynn Bergmeyer 585-576-0422 and co-leader Robert Buckert</i>			

# Welcome to the Flock

Join me in welcoming these ten new and returning members to the RBA.

Julie & Doug Baker Kimberley Benedetto Robert & Kaeri Carroll Clyde Comstock Melike Erkan Lori Mele Hawke Gregory Lawrence Lucia Leboreiro Bonnie & Ted Saunders Paula Wojtowicz

Current RBA Membership as of **December 15 is 457.** In addition to 426 household memberships, there are 10 young birders, 1 corporate member, 3 *Little Gull* subscribers and 17 complimentary member-ships.

#### RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

If you have renewed for 2020, thank: vou! The 3 month membership renewal campaign is coming to an end with half of our membership not having renewed! On December 18 a renewal form and return envelope were USPS mailed to all members (almost 250) who have not renewed for 2020. Thanks to the circulation committee for helping with this substantial mailing. Sometime in the middle of January, I will update the database and remove all those who have not renewed. This means no more *Little Gull*, no entry in the new roster, and no access to the members' area of the website. Don't let this happen. Renew NOW!

Jo Taylor Membership Data

Adrianna Anderson Membership Outreach

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# President's Column

Andrea Patterson



The end of the year is traditionally a time for countdowns and lists. Radio stations play the top 100 songs, news outlets chronicle the top 10 stories, and retailers list the top gifts for

the holiday season. I hope you enjoy my version of what made the RBA great in 2019.

**456 memberships.** Individuals and families who support the RBA are what make the organization work. Thank you to all!

**278 species.** It's hard to have a birding club without birds, and Monroe County delivered. As of this writing (December 16), the county eBirded 278 species this year including a number of surprises. Spring started with cooperative Pine and Evening Grosbeaks, and a lucky observer or two caught sight of a Swainson's Hawk, a Piping Plover, and even a Magnificent Frigatebird. A Marbled Godwit in early fall was seen by many, and it was followed a month later by a semi-cooperative White-faced Ibis.

**52 field trips**. In 2019, the Rochester Birding Association led an amazing 52 field trips to hotspots in and around Monroe County, and we're on track to do it again in 2020.

**30 days gallery.** Amazing pictures of regional birds taken by local people . . . who wouldn't love that? It's one of our most popular online features.

**15 young birders**. While they were never all together on a single trip, a total of 15 youth attended our young birder events this year. They held morning field trips and afternoon get-togethers, they participated in the Bird of Prey Days and in the Montezuma Muckrace, and they counted sector 7 in the Rochester Christmas Bird Count. Overall they tallied 136 species in 2019.

**11** *Little Gulls*. Thanks to the work of our editor as well as the contribu-

tions of field trip leaders, columnists, and the circulation committee, members were treated to this informative newsletter throughout the year.

**11 Birds-and-Brews**. We're seeing lots of new faces as we sample the wares at local breweries each month. We'll be continuing these fun events in 2020 – be sure to check them out!

8 monthly speakers. What a diverse program we had this year! Charlie Cowling showed us glass slides of images taken in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, Greg Lawrence gave an overview of the Braddock Bay Wildlife Management Area restoration, Luke DeGroote taught us about bird-friendly glass, Eli Knapp shared excerpts and stories from his book, Randi Minetor shared her tips for birding New England, Julie Hart introduced the 3rd NYS Breeding Bird Atlas project, Lucy Winters Durkin familiarized us with Audubon's writings, and Daniel Baldassarre discussed how unusual bird behaviors can inform our understanding of avian biodiversity.

6 *Birding Bits.* Back by popular demand, these short presentations hope to make us all better birders. From mergansers to loons, we tack-led several tricky ID puzzles.

**2.7 acres.** This year, the Genesee Land Trust purchased 2.7 acres of land adjoining the Cornwall Preserve near Pultneyville, NY, thanks to the support of the RBA and other partners.

**One community of birders**. Thank you for your support of the RBA, of birds, and of each other. Here's to another great year!

Editor's Corner Jay Greenberg



Andrea suggested that now is the time for reflecting on the past year. For me, it is also time to reflect on the past decade. This issue marks the beginning of my 11<sup>th</sup> year as *Little Gull* editor! I have produced 110 issues. It would be 111, except that Andrea produced one issue during my tenure. I have also written scores of articles, large and small, and I've contributed scores of my own photos. I haven't counted up the articles and photos.

The relentless schedule has required some sacrifices on my part. For example, I've had to arrange out of town travel around the *Little Gull* schedule, or find a stand-in. I've also worked as editor when not feeling well, but fortunately, haven't had any incapacitating illnesses.

Luckily, there have been no catastrophic technical problems. The closest call was when the internal hard drive of my computer failed while I was working on an issue. Fortunately, I was able to boot from a backup drive and finish the issue before getting the computer repaired.

Although I am willing to continue as editor in the near future, the RBA should consider me to be an interim editor until a replacement is found. I'd love to find someone who could help me out by standing in occasionally and at some point taking over as editor. Obviously, I can't do this forever. I am more than willing to help train a replacement.

## **RBA IN THE FIELD**

#### Conesus Lake 12/7/2019

After a few days of blustery, sometimes snowy conditions, 11 birders joined up on December 7th to enjoy a partly-sunny, if still chilly day exploring Conesus Lake. We started the morning at Vitale Park to see what was congregated at the north end of the lake and were greeted by large flocks of gulls and geese. We spent time picking out different species and trying to catch diving birds in our scopes, and among the geese, we found small groups of Buffleheads, some Hooded Mergansers, and a Common Merganser. We watched a lone Common Loon swimming out in the open lake, the first of several we would find throughout the day. The park also hosted a handful of vocal

passerines like Black-capped Chickadees, Northern Flickers, and a Carolina Wren that were noted before we continued our trip down the lake.

The clear conditions made it easy to spot distant rafts of diving ducks as we drove down the east side of Conesus Lake, and we stopped a few times to observe some of these groups. The largest flocks were of Redheads, but we were able to pick out Green-winged Teal, Canvasback, Ring-necked Duck, scaup, Ruddy Duck, and goldeneye bobbing along at the fringes of the rafts. We spent some time observing a nice group of 40 Tundra Swans along Joy Road before heading to the inlet at the south end of the lake.

The marsh along Sliker Hill Road was iced over, but the creek was flowing well, and we could see evidence of beaver activity that had changed the habitat of the area in recent months. We spotted a Great Blue Heron flying by and 2 Bald Eagles perched over the frozen marsh. but spent most of our time peering through cattails and shrubs to find the passerines flitting around along the dike. Along with a flock of American Tree Sparrows, we picked out a Song Sparrow and 2 Swamp Sparrows for a brief lesson in sparrow chip calls. We had some great views of Eastern Bluebirds and were able to find a Winter Wren skulking among the tangled vegetation.

We headed back up the western side of the lake and stopped at a promising raft of birds to wrap our trip up. Among the Redheads we found more Hooded Merganser, Ring-necked Duck, Bufflehead, Common Goldeneye, and even Pied-billed Grebe popping in and out of view. In all, we recorded 50 species on our trip around the lake, and saw how fruitful it can be to take some time and study the rafts of ducks we might come across this time of year.

Jim Kimball and Christina Hoh



A male **Redhead.** Photo by Jay Greenberg.

#### RBA Beginner Field Trip to Nations Road 12/8/2019

The weather was unusually balmy (40's) for this trip, with no precipitation, clear sky, and a moderate south wind. The conditions might explain the large turnout of 22 people, with 6 of them being non-members of the RBA. The group did manage to see several of the target species for this trip - Horned Lark, Snow Bunting, Northern Harrier, Rough-legged Hawk, and Shorteared Owl. While watching for birds, we also kept an eye out for congregations of other birders, and this resulted in the addition of a Barred Owl and an unexpected and very cooperative Snowy Owl. Passerines were few, but we did see American Tree Sparrows, a nice group of Mourning Doves, and Northern Flickers, bringing our total for the afternoon to 19 species.

Rick Stevens and John Boettcher



A **Short-eared Owl** (© Chuck Schleigh, rochesterbirding.com).

# Nominations for the 2020 RBA Board

The following people have been nominated to serve on the RBA Board of Directors in 2020:

President Liz Magnanti Vice-President Jeanne Verhulst Treasurer Brian Rohrs Secretary Greg Lawrence Directors Kevin Farrell Randi Minetor Rosemary Reilly Wanda Thistle

The election will take place at the annual dinner on Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup>. In accordance with the by-laws, if there are more nominees than open positions, the vote shall be by ballot. A quorum consisting of at least 10% of current members eligible to vote is required.

The Nominating Committee unanimously recommends the election of the entire slate of nominees.

Tom Verhulst (Chair), Christina Hoh, and Gayle Lazoration

# Join the Rochester Birding Association for the First Two Birds and Brews of 2020!

The first event of the year will coincide with the Nations Road birding trip on Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. After the trip, meet at Mortalis Brewing Company! Members and non-members alike are welcome!

Location: Mortalis Brewing Company: 5660 Tec Drive, Avon, NY 14414 Time: 6:15 p.m.-9 p.m.

February's Birds & Brews will take place after the Winter Waterfowl Tour on Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. Meet at 12 noon at at Bill Gray's Tap Room. All are welcome!

Location:Bill Gray's Tap Room: 4870 Culver Road, Rochester, NY 14622 Time: 12 noon- 2:30 p.m.

Bids & Brews is a casual occasion for members to get together and share birding stories, compare travel destinations, and catch up all while having a pint of Rochester's finest beer or ale.

### **Birders Exchange**

Birders' Exchange collects and redistributes new and used binoculars, spotting scopes, digital camera equipment, old and new field guides, and other relevant material. Sponsored by the American Birding Association, it supports critical research and conservation programs in the Caribbean, Central and South America. Won't you help? Please bring your donations to the RBA monthly meetings or contact Lucretia at 671-1310 or <a href="https://www.ucretia.com">https://www.ucretia.com</a> programs in the Caribbean, Central and South America. Won't you help? Please bring your donations to the RBA monthly meetings or contact Lucretia at 671-1310 or <a href="https://www.ucretia.com">https://www.ucretia.com</a> programs in the Caribbean, Central and South America. Won't you help? Please bring your donations to the RBA monthly meetings or contact Lucretia at 671-1310 or <a href="https://www.ucretia.com">https://www.ucretia.com</a> programs in the Caribbean, Central and South America. Won't you help? Please bring your donations to the RBA monthly meetings or contact Lucretia at 671-1310 or <a href="https://www.ucretia.com">https://www.ucretia.com</a> programs in the Caribbean, Central and South America. Won't you help? Please bring your donations to the RBA monthly meetings or contact Lucretia at 671-1310 or <a href="https://www.ucretia.com">https://www.ucretia.com</a> programs at a donate and your and address with your donation.

Lucretia Grosshans

# **RBA WINTER DINNER**

Saturday, January 11, 2020, 6:00 p.m. Summerville Presbyterian Church, 4845 St. Paul Blvd., Rochester NY 14617

Cost per person: \$5.00

Main entrees: roasted turkey, honey basted ham. Guests will provide additional dishes.

To make reservations: e-mail Wanda Thistle at <u>thistlew@yahoo.com</u> or call (585) 236-1834

She will need the following information:

- $\sqrt{}$  Number people attending
- $\sqrt{}$  Side dish you will be bringing

We will be providing the place settings & cutlery

# WHITE ALBATROSS TABLE

If you bring something for the White Albatross Table, be sure to price it, and let us know if you want the sale price to go as a donation to RBA or back to you.

# EVENING'S ENTERTAINMENT

If you plan to give a presentation, please let us know. Artwork, carvings, photos, and slides are welcome. Slide presentation time slots are filled up!

If you can help with this event, please contact Wanda Thistle! Many hands make light work.

# **RBA Member Night!**

RBA MEMBERS! If you didn't have a chance to present at the Annual Dinner, dust off/polish up, your BEST, MOST SPECTACULAR, "slides" of birds from your travels both local and foreign and get ready for MEMBER NIGHT on February 13, 2020! Richard Ashworth will again orchestrate STRICT 10 minute member presentations—first come, first served – limit of 6 presentations total. Must have presentation on a flash drive (PowerPoint (2011 or later)). Send an e-mail to both Richard Ashworth (richarda@rochester.rr.com) AND to me (Jeanne Verhulst: tnjverhulst@rochester.rr.com) by January 11. Looking forward to some stellar images!

Jeanne Verhulst, Vice President

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# **November 2019 Sightings Report**

It was a cold, snowy month, with some moderation in the final 10 days. The month began with the tail end of a Halloween wind event with numerous power outages. This was followed by an Arctic cold surge that brought below normal temperatures for the next 3 weeks, before a warm-up for the last 10 days, peaking at temperatures in the 60s on the 27<sup>th</sup>. On the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, several record low temperatures were recorded. Temperatures averaged 35.0 °F, 5.5° below normal. It was the coldest 1st half and 11<sup>th</sup> coldest overall November on record. A high of only 31° on the 8<sup>th</sup> gave us a tie with the earliest date totally below freezing, and there were 6 days total with the high < 32°. Precipitation totaled 1.84", 1.11" below normal. The big story again this year was snowfall at 17.8", 10.5" above normal. Record amounts fell on both the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. It was the 6<sup>th</sup> snowiest November on record. Most of the local ponds and even parts of larger bays and lakes froze, pushing out lingering waterfowl, and many of the lingering land-bird migrants also became scarcer following this period.

A look at the general picture of birds and birding is interesting. We had the snow and cold noted above, and water levels were still very high. This certainly had some impact on waterbirds. The cold and snow also certainly impacted some of the passerines, yet Jim Adams, with his regular surveys of Oatka Creek Park, did not see many obvious effects other than maybe some sparrow species being scarce. He also noted wild fruit in good supply, which I did not see in places I searched. Overall reports were down some, with eBird reports about 15% below the numbers of the past few years. Yet you can see from our summary table below that species numbers are about on the 10-year averages. Nearly all the drop in species total from last year is accounted for by essentially no winter finches and only one lingering warbler species.

Again, nearly all waterfowl species with any serious expectation of being reported were recorded. Only Greater White-fronted Goose and Blue-winged Teal, both on the border relative to being "expected", were missed. However, again, most peak counts were modest to low except one Redhead count and Red-breasted Merganser. Both Ross's Goose and King Eider were good additions for the fall. Peak Horned and Red-necked Grebe counts were low for recent years. A piece of this may be the closing of easy access to the usual Hamlin Beach lake watch a bit early and weather that also limited the number of searches and counts. Recall the new checklist order adds nightjars, swifts, and marsh birds here. There were only single Virginia Rail and Sora reports a bit late, and a desiccated hummingbird found on the at RIT campus, then the usual late reports of Sandhill Cranes, with up to 128 in our region in southeast Wayne County.

There were the usual few lingering shorebirds, but only Wilson's Snipe past the 9<sup>th</sup>, pushing into the late fall or wintering question. 393 Dunlin passing Hamlin Beach on

the 1<sup>st</sup> was a good count. After some scarce or missing years, Purple Sandpiper was located first on the 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> and then 2 more late in the month.

Among the larid grouping, we note one more Parasitic Jaeger seen off Hamlin Beach on the 1<sup>st</sup>; then an alcid off Sodus Point, not identified to species due to lighting and distance, on the 26<sup>th</sup>. Gull numbers were not great, but expected species were reported, including: 2 Little Gulls, and Iceland, Lesser Black-backed, and Glaucous Gulls. A Forster's Tern at Buck Pond November 1-3 is getting late, but we do have several later records in prior years.

Now, the loons, seabirds, and waders: loon numbers were relatively poor, especially Red-throated, which should peak in this month. Again this year, a bonus was a Pacific Loon seen and photographed off Beechwood State Park on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Again, there was no Northern Gannet, and Double-crested Cormorant were numbers down to a 250 peak. An American White Pelican at the DEC Twin Cedars Environmental Area in Avon on the 4<sup>th</sup> was just the region's 3<sup>rd</sup> November record. Great Egret to month's end was also getting late. This year, there was no influx of Cattle Egrets.

Again, raptors were generally scarce, but we did have a late Osprey on the 16<sup>th</sup>, many Bald Eagles, and one immature Northern Goshawk. There were no Red-shouldered or Rough-legged Hawks by month's end. There were no Snowy Owl reports in the region and only 2 Short-eared Owl reports from the Nations Road area, the first for the winter on the 6<sup>th</sup>. A bonus was Northern Sawwhet Owl found both in the Owl Woods and in Durand-Eastman Park. Numbers of reports for our 3 regular falcons, American Kestrel, Merlin, and Peregrine Falcon, were all a bit low in a recent-year context.

Among the passerines, again essentially everything really expected was found, but there were few surprises and most counts were low. Surprising rarities were: Whiteeyed Vireo in Mendon on the 15th; Tree Swallows in the western Buck Pond area, scattered through the month and beyond; a Cave Swallow at Buck Pond, found by Chris Wood and seen by Jessie and Jim Barry on the 27<sup>th</sup>; a Bohemian Waxwing at Hamlin Beach on the 18<sup>th</sup>; and a female Summer Tanager on the west spit of Braddock Bay found by Augie Kramer and seen and photographed by several. The best counts were 1,425 American Robins and 1,086 American Goldfinches at Hamlin Beach on the 18th by Dave Tetlow. Given the seeming scarcity of many birds, there were fairly good numbers for several of the half-hardy species that often linger into winter, including: Yellow-bellied Sapsucker, Winter Wren, Hermit Thrush, Gray Catbird, Chipping Sparrow, and Yellow-rumped Warbler. As noted earlier, winter finches were essentially absent, and only one late warbler species was noted. Northern Shrike was present, but numbers of reports and apparent individuals, 6, were low.

Please submit reports to eBird, post them on geneseebirds, and/or send by the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month to Andrea Patterson, 144 Greystone Lane, #24, Rochester, NY 14618.

			10-year Average
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	(2009-2018)
Total species for November	154	160	153.2
New species for the year	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4.1</u>
Total for the year to date	291	287	290.3

#### Bob Spahn and the RBA Records Committee

**Observers:** Jim Adams, Janet Akin, Jessie Barry, Jim Barry, Liz Barry, Mitchell Barry, Sue Barth, Doug Beattie, Don Bemont, Linda Clark Benedict, Steve Benedict, Lynn Bergmeyer, Barry Bermudez, Shawn Billerman, John Boettcher, Terry Bohling, Lynn Braband, Joe Brin, Mark Brown, Lia Buckert, Robert Buckert, Sara Burch, Bruce Cady, Brad Carlson, Robert Cicotta, Tiffany Clay, Kelly Close, Kristine Constable, Lydia Culbert, Kathleen Dalton, Steve Daniel, Doug Daniels, Gregg Dashnau, Rich De-Coster, Deborah Dohne, Laurie Dirkx, Steve Donahue, Sarah Dzielski, Diane Egan, Kevin Engel, George Ford, Kyle Gage, Andy Garland, Janis George, Candy Giles, Christopher Goetz, Janes Goetz, John Gordinier, Karla Gordinier, Sheryl Gracewski, Jay Greenberg, Kevin Grif-

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A Purple Sandpiper. Photo by Jay Greenberg.



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