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## President's Perch

## Inside this issue:

### Dealing with it

Many didn't think it was going to last this long. Quarantine, was to last just a couple of months and for sure we would be back to normal by July. That didn't happen. A surge in infection rates in areas across the Nation has us all concerned. The risks of exposure to our demographic has many of us downright scared if not at least incredibly cautious. There is optimism in many novel vaccines in development; some actually being currently tested in clinical trials. However, the change social distancing has brought us has caused many of us to think differently. This has resulted in many of us spending more time outside. As a consequence, we are seeing more birds, which is a good thing.

A virus is not a living thing. It does not consume oxygen, expend energy, or move. It is package of genetic material that injects itself into a host that then uses the new genetic code to make more of the virus – a process that kills the cellular host as a result. If you think about it, it is an amazing product of evolution that flourishes in dense populations. Clearly, they are exquisite regulating mechanisms. That this corona virus is transferable by air, elicits extreme effects in some and next to nothing in others are the properties that make it a perfect storm.

However, just keeping us home is doing a world of good to our environment. I haven't seen any numbers, but I bet we are making incredible strides to limit carbon dioxide levels beyond the Paris Accords. The air is cleaner, there are fewer cars on the road, and to me, wildlife seems more conspicuous. I hope we get back to normal soon, but part of me hopes we can still keep the good things this change has brought us.

~Dr. Mark Johnson, President

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### Plan Ahead!

- November 6-Harford Bird Club Virtual Meeting & Presentation. "Behind the Lens" with Joe Subolefsky will begin immediately following the short business meeting.
- 73th MOS convention to be held May 14-16, 2021 at the Cumberland Ramada in Cumberland, Maryland .

## Be there.

# Bird Droppings

## Club News?

Have news the club should know about? Births, deaths, marriages, or any other notable events that belong in the newsletter? Please contact Secretary Jane Scocca at 410-272-8870 or send an email to [jane@scocca.org](mailto:jane@scocca.org).

## New Members

A warm Harford Bird Club welcome goes out to the following new member. Thank you for joining. We look forward to seeing you out there on our birding trips and at our meetings!

**Monica Masur**



# EDUCATION REPORT

## HARFORD BIRD CLUB YOUTH FEATURED ON HARFORD CABLE NETWORK



Our own Nick Spigler is featured on the Harford Cable channel KidsTVNews program this month. Nick was asked to share his knowledge of birding with other young people throughout Harford County. Watch his segment [here](#). Nick's section begins seven minutes into the program. Nick did a super job of representing the youth birders in our club and we're very proud of him. Thanks, Nick, for promoting birding for kids!

~Mary Murray

# FREE MONEY?!?

## Call for MORE Grant Proposals

As a non-profit dedicated to advocating for birds and their appreciation, the Harford Bird Club is accepting proposals for limited funding to groups to help assist with these goals. If you know of a cause that is in dire need of a donation, please send your proposal to Mark Johnson at [marksjohnson2@gmail.com](mailto:marksjohnson2@gmail.com). All ideas that help advance bird populations to birdwatching and a greater appreciation of birds and their habitats is welcomed. Proposals should be focused on the \$100-\$400 range, however, exceptions may be granted. Given the size of our organization, grants are limited.

Groups that may be interested in submitting a grant proposal could include, but are not limited to the following:

- Scout Groups
- Local Animal Rehabilitation Organizations
- Schools (All Levels; Public or Private)
- SMA/SAE/Magnet Program Project's
- Churches
- Neighborhood Associations

Grant proposals should include, but not limited to:

- Contact Name, Email, Phone Number
- Summary of bird related project
- Full budget
- Number of people impacted/reached by project or project message
- Projects connections with birds



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# Audubon's Top 100 Photographs

The 2020 Audubon Photography Awards were announced in July and included many photographs taken in and around Maryland at locations you may have visited. This year's Top 100 included a photograph by the Harford Bird Club's Joe Subolefsky. His photograph of a Red-billed Tropicbird was taken on Little Tobago Island in January. Check out the top 100 photographs [here](#).



Photograph by: Joe Subolefsky

## HBC Grant Money Awarded to Churchville Elementary

### Churchville Elementary Teacher Celebrates Birds



The HBC is pleased to announce that it has awarded a \$400 grant to Nicole Murray, a teacher at Churchville Elementary School to promote bird observation and study at the school. This year, Churchville Elementary School's theme was 'Go for the Gold'. This theme incorporated high levels of academic achievement, student engagement and staff involvement. 'Go for the Gold' includes teaching character education and getting to know each and everyone of the students.

Bird Buddies, the 'before school bird club' associated with Harford Bird Club, only met a handful of times this school year, due to the mandated school closures. The purpose of this club is to show students that learning goes beyond the classroom and can include activities that they enjoy. This club of approximately 20 students, shows that birding can be done anywhere and can be a lifelong outdoor hobby.

In order to promote the club and show all 393 students and 24 teachers that nature has benefits, the club is funding the establishment of feeder stations. The funding includes three feeder stations that will be set up in the front of the school along the bus lane to allow waiting students to admire the nature that surrounds our school and community.

~Dr. Mark Johnson



# Trip Report

## Perryville Paddle

July 25, 2020

Colleen Webster

Perryville Paddle: On Saturday, July 25th, about a dozen hearty souls launched in an outgoing low tide so we went out onto the upper bay to avoid submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV)....saw many Bald Eagles, Great Blue Heron, Osprey, Black Vultures, Turkey Vultures, Tree Swallows, Purple Martins and of course, Canada Geese and various Gulls...lovely low wind morning!



## Creative Corner

By: Colleen Webster

### Lessons Not Learned

Thoreau taught us to love  
even the swamps  
and Muir worshipped the trees,  
Carson warned of chemicals  
and habitat destruction

but here we are, poised  
on yet another habit of man  
because we have forgotten  
we climbed out of seas  
and down from trees  
into a world that has all  
we need, all that wrens,  
frogs, sedges and reeds  
need to thrive  
in spaces we increasingly  
cut down and pave over.

Our wild hearts, every species,  
need the opening to be  
but we advance at our peril.

## Breeding Bird Atlas Update

Wow! Summer is almost over, fall migration is here! Of course that doesn't mean that your Breeding Bird Atlas activity has to stop. Many of our local species are still within safe dates until the end of August, with some extending into September. Maybe you can take an early morning drive to some unexplored roads in your block and find a Grasshopper or Field Sparrow. It's also a great time of year to come across a family of Wild Turkeys.

Just because many birds are out of safe dates, that doesn't mean that nesting activity has ceased. Keep an eye out for breeding behavior while you're out looking for fall warblers. Cedar Waxwings and American Goldfinches are notoriously late nesters. Your local wrens or bluebirds may be attempting a third brood. Take a look at your block confirmations and see if you can target a couple species to upgrade over the next couple weeks. Just remember that the most important thing is to have fun and enjoy yourself! Go find some birds!

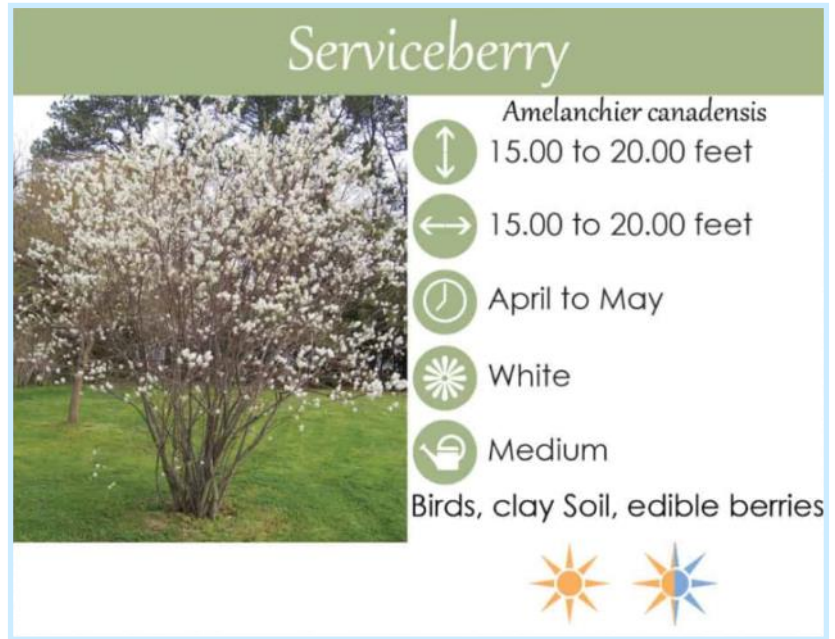
~Matt Hafner

# Conservation Corner

## Plant a Serviceberry Tree

If you add any tree or shrub to your yard this summer or fall, plant this great native for its relatively small size, summertime berries the birds (and people) can eat, and white flowers in early spring for pollinators.

The Serviceberry grows to about 20 feet or so, and can grow in a multi-stem form like a shrub. Go online and see if you might have a place for it on your property. It will thrive in average soil, with average moisture (make sure you water for its first few years whenever the soil gets dry). It can be planted in between larger trees, and is a good fit for a partly shaded garden area such as a mixed border. There's plenty of advice online on where to plant it. You can't beat the multiple benefits of this tree – food for pollinators and birds, pretty flowers in the spring, and pretty yellow and orange foliage in the fall. Try it out!



## Prevent Disease, Clean Birdbaths



A recent article circulated by the MOS Conservation Committee had sad news that hundreds of Red crossbills are dying in central Oregon. Observers suspect salmonella from an increase in bird feeding due to more people being at home. There's been a call to take in bird feeders to lessen spreading the disease (sound familiar?) and to clean bird baths at least every three days. Keeping your bath clean will help prevent disease for our birds here in Harford County. I have three bird baths and about every other day I refresh them by spilling out the dirty water, using a scrub brush, and filling with fresh water. It's gratifying to know the water is fresh when I see our birds using the baths.

~Debbie Bowers



# Harford Birdlife

by Monroe Harden

This report covers two more months of modified lockdown due to the Pandemic. It's good to see people figuring out how to get out to bird safely and report their sightings. This report covers the period from June 1<sup>st</sup> through July 31st, 2020.

## Swans, Ducks, Raptors, Shorebirds, Gulls

MJ saw the continuing pair of Trumpeter Swans at the Edgewood Home Depot pond on June 6<sup>th</sup>. They were reported there throughout the period. JM saw a continuing Ring-necked Duck at Swan Harbor on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. DS had a female Red-breasted Merganser there on June 5<sup>th</sup>. MJ saw the continuing female Bufflehead at the Woodley Rd retention pond in Perryman on June 11<sup>th</sup>. TH found a Great Egret at Swan Harbor on June 5<sup>th</sup>.



DK saw an Osprey near Madonna on June 27<sup>th</sup>. Could there be nesting activity in that part of the county? AJ found an American Coot and an immature Laughing Gull at Tydings Park on June 11<sup>th</sup>. He saw them there again on June 16<sup>th</sup>. DL saw a Solitary Sandpiper at the Lakeside Business Park on July 12<sup>th</sup>. MJ found a Sanderling at the Woodley Rd pond on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Several others saw it there on the following days.

## Terns, Doves, Cuckoos, Woodpeckers, Flycatchers, Vireo

JM saw a Caspian Tern flying over the Woodley Rd pond on June 18<sup>th</sup>. KC saw 3 at the Gunpowder Marsh on July 5<sup>th</sup>. AJ saw another flying downriver near Lapidum on July 11<sup>th</sup>. CW reported a Forster's Tern at Tydings Park on July 14<sup>th</sup>. KB found a Eurasian Collared-Dove at Swan Harbor on July 24<sup>th</sup>.



Many others saw it during the days and weeks afterward. TH saw a Black-billed Cuckoo there on June 5<sup>th</sup>. DB had 2 Yellow-billed Cuckoos near her home in Street on July 28<sup>th</sup>. DK noted that the Red-headed Woodpeckers are continuing to nest in the Bradenbaugh Flats area. DB saw a family of 2 adult and 1 fledgling Pileated Woodpeckers in Street during the period. She watched a Great-crested Flycatcher playing with a hemlock cone on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

She and her husband also saw a Red-eyed Vireo near their home on July 30<sup>th</sup>.

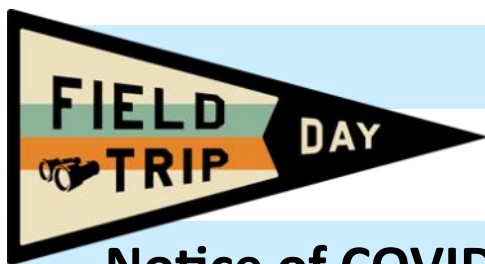
## Ravens, Thrushes, Warblers, Tanagers, Grosbeaks, Finches

MJ saw and heard 2 Common Ravens near Heaps Rd on June 16<sup>th</sup>. DW heard a singing Veery at Broad Creek Scout Camp on June 30<sup>th</sup>. TH found a Blue-winged Warbler at Susquehanna State Park on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. CR saw an adult male Chestnut-sided Warbler at Bosely Conservancy on June 21<sup>st</sup>. BJS reported seeing nesting Prothonotary Warblers in Susquehanna State Park during the period. JM had a Northern Waterthrush there on July 20<sup>th</sup>. DK saw and heard a singing Hooded Warbler at Newark Farms on July 20<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. He wondered if there was nesting activity there. LH saw a transitioning male Summer Tanager near the Elkridge Harford Hunt Club on June 30<sup>th</sup>. DK saw several Blue Grosbeaks in the Bradenbaugh area throughout the period. DaL saw a female Purple Finch at Harford Glen on June 7<sup>th</sup>.



## Contributors

AJ- Austin Jennings, BJS- Barbara Joan Saffir, CR- Carey Rowsom, CW- Colleen Webster, DaL- Dave Littlepage, DB- Debbie Bowers, DK- Dennis Kirkwood, DL- Dave Larkin, DS- Dawn Sexton, DW- Dave Webb, JM- John Manger, KB- Kojo Baidoo, KC- Keith Costley, LH- Lani Hyde, MJ- Mark Johnson, TH- Tim Houghton



**FIELD TRIPS ARE BACK!**

*Field Trip*

## **Notice of COVID-19 Precautions and New Trip Protocol**

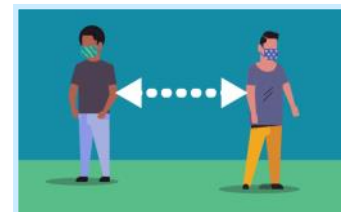
**by Tom Gibson and approved by the HBC Executive Board**

The Executive Board of the HBC has voted to resume certain activities and trips on a restricted basis conforming to national, state and local regulations as well as in compliance with recent position statements from MOS. All trips will need to conform to the following protocols in order to strive to make trips as safe as possible.



- ⇒ Meet at the field trip site. No carpooling will be permitted.
- ⇒ Maintain six foot distance on hikes.
- ⇒ Wear a mask when six feet of distance between people is not possible. Please have a mask readily available to put on at a moment's notice when grouping close together to see birds.
- ⇒ Share use of scopes only when disinfected between use. Scope owner should be the only one disinfecting the scope. It's possible that chemicals in disinfectant could severely damage and ruin sensitive optics if used incorrectly.
- ⇒ No more than nine participants plus the trip leader (ten total) per trip.
  - Leaders will be responsible for keeping the groups less than ten participants. For trips larger than ten, the group must split up and must stay separated from the other group.
  - It is strongly suggested that participants contact the trip leader prior to the trip and share your name and contact information.
- ⇒ As has always been the case, group leader will have the final say as to whether a trip takes place as scheduled, even at the last minute or during the course of the trip. Whether complying with COVID-19 precautions, weather conditions or field conditions, safety is always the number one priority.
- ⇒ If a trip needs to be cancelled, leaders should notify the Field Trip Chairperson, Tom Gibson and text or cc Amanda Subolefsky on the cancellation email.
  - HarfordBirdClub.org and the Facebook Event for the cancelled trip will be updated no later than the Wednesday before the trip was scheduled to take place.
- ⇒ These procedures are subject to change as the situation evolves.

Tom Gibson, the trip leaders and the entire HBC Executive Board thanks you, in advance, for your cooperation and looks forward to seeing you enjoying field trips again!





# Harford Bird Club Field Trips

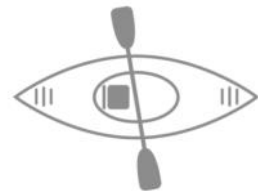
Field trip schedule compiled by Tom Gibson

**ICANCELED! September 5 (Sat.) — Annual Club Picnic and Birdwalk.** Due to restrictions on large gatherings the picnic and bird walk have been canceled. Contact Tom Congersky for details (410-658-4137; [ijnitcon@zoominternet.net](mailto:ijnitcon@zoominternet.net)).

**September 7 (Mon. Labor Day) — Ma & Pa Trail.** Stroll a portion of this popular trail, walking from Annie's Playground towards Tollgate Road in search of early migrants and local residents. The diverse habitats along the way promise a good variety of species. Meet at the parking lot near Annie's Playground on Smith Lane off Connolly Road in Fallston at **7:00 AM**. The leader is Susan Hood (410-937-7552; [susanhood@comcast.net](mailto:susanhood@comcast.net)).

**September 9 (Wed.) — Cromwell Valley Park Songbird Walk.** You'll spend time hiking trails in search of migrating songbirds, including sparrows and warblers. Cromwell Valley is a 426-acre stream valley park in Baltimore County and one of the best places in MD for migrating fall birds. There are fields, woods, hedgerows, and wooded piedmont hills—much diverse habitat. The park is several miles off the Cromwell Bridge exit (exit 29) of I-695. Meet at the main parking lot from the Willow Grove entrance at **8:00AM**. Contact Tim at ([timhoughton@comcast.net](mailto:timhoughton@comcast.net) or 410-510-7504) with any questions.

**September 12 (Sat.) — Garrett Island Paddle Outing.** Bring your kayak, canoe, stand-up, etc. to the Jean Roberts Park in Havre de Grace. From there we will circle the island looking for Osprey, Great Blue Heron, Bald Eagles and what other creatures we may encounter. Meet leaders Colleen Webster (410-459-4577; [cwebster@harford.edu](mailto:cwebster@harford.edu)) and Susan Procell (443-417-4919; [procellmd@gmail.com](mailto:procellmd@gmail.com)) at **8:30 AM**. No rentals available.



**September 19 (Sat.) — A Special Trip to Mill Grove Audubon Center in Pennsylvania** — Visit the place J.J. Audubon called home for four years after he arrived here from France at age eighteen. It was here that he became captivated by the beauty and variety of birds around him and that the seed was planted for a lifetime of study and painting these stunning winged creatures. Although best known for his brilliant and original images of birds, he is also the father of bird banding and the discoverer of chimney swallows' winter roosting spots. He became the foremost ornithologist in America as he pursued his field studies as well as his painting techniques. The interactive museum is as interesting as the man with many displays and hands-on activities.

6:45 AM - Meet at Darlington Park on Rt. one in Darlington. No carpooling. Please ride with people from your household only.

8:15 AM - Arrive at Mill Grove Audubon Center - Bathroom stop.

8:30 AM - A bird walk with one of the naturalists.

9:30 AM - Walk to the house.

9:45AM - House tour with a docent.

10:30 AM - Break and a snack (Which will be provided).

10:45 AM - Free time to explore the museum.

11:45 AM - Departure

**Cost for this trips \$15.00** . Please bring **CASH** as it will expedite entry. **Pre-Registration required by Sept. 12.** Contact our coordinators, Amanda Subolefsky ([amandasubolefsky@gmail.com](mailto:amandasubolefsky@gmail.com)) and/or Eric Vangrin ([evangrin@msn.com](mailto:evangrin@msn.com)).

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Field trip schedule compiled by Tom Gibson

**September 23 (Wed.) — Eden Mill Nature Center.** Leader and veteran birder, Dennis Kirkwood, will take you for a two mile walk along the Falling Branch Trail. Enjoy the beautiful rolling hills, farmland and country scenery as you walk between these two iconic nature sites in northern Harford County. The varied habitat promises equally varied bird sightings. We will start from the Eden Mill Nature Center parking lot off Eden Mill Road. Meet near the pavilion there at **7:30 AM**. Contact Dennis at (410-692-5905; [newarkfarms@gmail.com](mailto:newarkfarms@gmail.com)).

**September 26 (Sat.) — Bird Banding Demonstration and Photo Op at Eden Mill Nature Center.** Mark Johnson, our resident bird bander, accomplished birder and naturalist will demonstrate banding techniques as well as explain why we band birds and what we learn from tracking banded birds that may help our declining bird numbers. This is also an opportunity for photographers to get some unique photos of birds. Meet at the Vangrin Bird Banding Station at the Eden Mill Nature Center between the hours of **8:00 AM and 11:00 AM**. Contact Dr. Johnson at (410-692-5978; [marksjohnson2@gmail.com](mailto:marksjohnson2@gmail.com)).

**October 3 (Sat.) — Bird Walk through Mariner Park/Rumsey Island in Joppatowne.** This is an easy walk in a pleasant estuarine setting to observe waterfowl as well as hawks and resident songbirds along with some migrants passing through. Sightings of the resident black squirrels also possible. Leader is veteran birder Phil Powers. (410-679-4116; [birdsindmd@verizon.net](mailto:birdsindmd@verizon.net)). Meet at **8:30 AM** at the Mariner Point Park parking lot.

**October 10 (Sat.) — Rocks State Park.** Spend the morning on the trails of beautiful Rocks State Park looking for fall woodland species. Gather at the ranger station parking area on Rocks Chrome Hill Rd. at **7:30 AM**. The leader is veteran birder Mark Magnani. (443-324-1136; [mwmagnani@gmail.com](mailto:mwmagnani@gmail.com)).

**October 17 (Sat.) — Harford Glen.** We will begin this tour with sightings from the parking lot, then proceed to survey the triple riparian habitats of Atkisson Reservoir, the faster flowing Winter's Run, and the Plumtree Run tributary. The woodland trails and open meadows offer great opportunities for good birding. Veteran birders, Jane Scocca (410-272-8870; [jane@scocca.org](mailto:jane@scocca.org)) and Jean Wheeler (410-838-6774; [jswheeler3@verizon.net](mailto:jswheeler3@verizon.net)) will be leading our trip. Meet at the Glen parking lot at **7:30 AM**.

**October 24 (Sat.) — Swan Harbor Farm.** This preserved area near the Upper Bay provides prime habitat for waterfowl, song birds, and marsh and field birds. The trip begins at **8:00 AM** at the parking lot at the end of the driveway. Contact leader, veteran birder Dennis Kirkwood (410-692-5905; [newarkfarms@gmail.com](mailto:newarkfarms@gmail.com)).

**November 6 (Fri.) — Bird Club Dinner Meeting 6:15 PM (Details to follow)**

**November 15 (Sun.) — Prime Hook.** This is a rare opportunity to join experienced birder Dr. Dave Larkin on a day trip to one of Delaware's best-kept secrets, a beautiful preserve of over 10,000 acres on the shore of Delaware Bay. This is an important spot for migrating bird species and is home to 250 species either on a permanent basis or as visiting migrants. The refuge includes varied habitats and terrain including ponds, forests, woods, grasslands, and saltwater as well as freshwater marshes. All of which promise a variety of species. Please meet at the I-95 Park and Ride in Havre de Grace on Route 155 at 7:30am. No Carpooling. Caravan to Prime Hook only. Contact Dr. Larkin for more details. (410-569-8319; [larkin3003@comcast.net](mailto:larkin3003@comcast.net)).

**November 21 (Sat.) — Eastern Neck Wildlife Refuge.** Join experienced birders Tom Congersky (410-910-6182; [injtcon@zoominternet.net](mailto:injtcon@zoominternet.net)) and Eric Vangrin (443-417-7219; [evangrin@msn.com](mailto:evangrin@msn.com)) as they explore this little known Eastern Shore gem. Just the scenic ride down and the beautiful, classic Eastern Shore diverse habitat of the refuge make this trip worthwhile. Add the likely variety of waterfowl, shore birds, raptors and passerines and you have a "must-do" trip. Meet the leaders at the Park and Ride in Havre de Grace at I-95 and Route 155 at **7:30 AM**.

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**November 28 (Sat.) — Conowingo Dam Gull and Eagle Watch.** This morning survey begins at Fishermen's Park just below Conowingo Dam on the Harford County side of the Susquehanna River. Meet at **8:00 AM** to begin the search for Bald Eagles, Black and Turkey Vultures, various gulls, waterfowl and herons. Contact the leader, Dennis Kirkwood, at (410-692-5905; [newarkfarms@gmail.com](mailto:newarkfarms@gmail.com)) for more information.



**December 12 (Sat.) — Waterfowl Trip.** Don't miss this chance to search a variety of spots to see the many species of waterfowl that inhabit Harford County's numerous waterways. Contact Dave Webb ([porzana@comcast.net](mailto:porzana@comcast.net); 410-939-3537) shortly before the event for final details.

**December 26 (Sat.) — Annual Christmas Count. Coordinator is Mark Johnson** ( 410-692-5978; [marksjohnson2@gmail.com](mailto:marksjohnson2@gmail.com)). Contact Mark for details.

**January 1 (Fri.) — Annual New Year Bird Walk — Perryman.** Our leader is veteran birder Phil Powers as we celebrate the new year or recover from New Year's Eve with a tour through the always productive Perryman Area. Meet at the parking lot of the Aberdeen Walmart on Rt. 40 at 8:30 AM. For details contact Phil at (410-679-4116; [birdsinmd308@gmail.com](mailto:birdsinmd308@gmail.com))

**January 16 (Sat.) — Feeder Watch Social.** Join our annual feeder social to visit the private home of one of our members. This year Bob and Ann Werrlein have invited us into their home to watch the avian visitors who come to their bird feeders. Perhaps you will get some new ideas for attracting more birds to your yard. Light refreshments will be served and contributions are always welcome but not required. This is winter birding at its best, watching birds from a warm and a cozy spot with yummy food and drink while socializing with fellow birders. Contact Bob Werrlein at (410-692-5180; [we2.rein@gmail.com](mailto:we2.rein@gmail.com)) for details and directions closer to the event. **This event is open to HBC members and their guests only. Reservations encouraged.** Event begins at **8:30 AM**.

**January 23 (Sat.) — Bradenbaugh Flats.** Trip begins at Jarrettsville Elementary School parking lot at **8:00 AM**. From there our experienced leader, Dennis Kirkwood, leads us on a pleasant and varied tour through NW Harford County's agricultural area to find wintering field birds and waterfowl. Expect Horned Larks, along with Ring-necked Ducks and maybe a Cackling Goose. The trip ends at the leader's home where you will enjoy hot soup, homemade breads, good conversation and maybe even a brief glimpse of the resident screech owl. Contact Dennis at (410-692-5905; [newarkfarms@gmail.com](mailto:newarkfarms@gmail.com)).

**January 30 (Sat.) — Perryville Community Park Winter Waterfowl Bird Walk.** This is a leisurely birding excursion on mostly paved surfaces along the shores of historic Stump's Point to look for swans and winter ducks bobbing in the waters of Mill Creek and Furnace Bay. The leaders are Colleen Webster (410-459-4577; [cwebster@harford.edu](mailto:cwebster@harford.edu)) and Sue Procell (443-417-4919; [procellmd@gmail.com](mailto:procellmd@gmail.com)). Meet at the far end of the park at **9:00 AM**.

## November 6: Virtual Meeting & Presentation



On November 6th at 7:00pm, the Harford Bird Club will be hosting a brief meeting followed by a presentation by Harford Bird Club member and photographer, Joe Subolefsky, on Google Meet.

Please register for the virtual meeting using this [form](#). At 10am on November 6th, the registration form will be closed and all who registered will receive a link via email for the evening's event. At 6:30pm the event will open to allow you to have time to get in and get settled before the event officially begins at 7:00pm.

## Behind The Lens with Joe Subolefsky

Do you ever see a photograph and wonder, 'How did they get that shot?'; 'What were they thinking as this scene played out before them?' or 'Which shot is this photographer's favorite'? Following nature photographers on social media inserts a bit of the great outdoors in our daily social media feeds and this presentation will give you the opportunity to hear another layer to the photographs that we see as we scroll through our feeds.



International award winning, local bird photographer, Joe Subolefsky has travelled the globe capturing the local flora and fauna. Join us as he shares his favorite shots and the stories behind the images.

From Belize, Costa Rica, South Africa, Iceland, Trinidad and Tobago, Yellowstone, Washington State and back to Harford County Maryland, join Joe (and Amanda) as he takes you on the adventures behind capturing the images he shares with us on social media.







# HARFORD BIRD CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM

If you would like to join or renew your Harford Bird Club and MOS membership, please print this page and mail the completed form along with a check to:

Eric Vangrin  
1100 Barkley Place  
Bel Air, MD. 21014

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Membership Year - September 1, 2019 - August 31, 2020

- ( ) Individual \$33.00                      ( ) Sustaining \$63.00  
( ) Life (see below)                      ( ) Household \$39.00  
( ) Junior \$10.00

OR

Memberships for those who are either members of another MOS Chapter or are  
MOS Life Members.

- ( ) Individual \$13.00                      ( ) Household \$19.00

Please indicate your MOS membership status:

- ( ) MOS Life Member (After 9/1/90)  
( ) Member of \_\_\_\_\_ MOS Chapter

\_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT ENCLOSED (Make checks payable to Harford County MOS)

- ( ) New Harford Bird Club Membership\*                      ( ) Renewal

Please give names below as they should appear on the membership list.

Married couples should give both names.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street & # \_\_\_\_\_

City, State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

- ( ) Check here if this is a new address, phone number or email  
( ) Check here if you object to having your name, address, and phone number listed in the state directory.

\*If a new member, how did you find out about the Harford County Bird Club?  
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An "Individual" membership is anyone 18 or older.

A "Junior" membership is someone younger than 18 whose parents are not members (i.e., not part of a household membership)

A "Household" membership is all persons residing at the same address. (A student who is away at school and wants publications mailed to the school address must be in the Individual class.)

Life Membership dues are: State \$1000.00 and Chapter \$300.00.

New life memberships have the option of paying \$11.00\* per year chapter dues in lieu of the \$300.00 lump sum. Life memberships effective prior to September 1, 1990, are exempt from any further chapter dues payment.