



2018 BIRDATHON REPORT

The International Crane Foundation has embarked on an initiative to promote the protection of Whooping Cranes as they migrate through Indiana



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We are so grateful for all of the caring, dedicated people like you who generously donate to the Amos Butler Audubon Society Birdathon. It takes a large group of folks to make this event the success it has been for more than 30 years. This includes our teams (13 this year), enthusiastic volunteers and, of course, you who are willing to contribute financially to the Birdathon. Thanks to everyone's efforts, we raised \$24,320 this year. With a substantial carryover from 2017, we were able to fund all of the grant requests, serving to fulfill our mission to promote the stewardship and enjoyment of the birds of central Indiana.

On the international level, your dollars will support a creative initiative in Guatemala under the guidance of our esteemed partner, the American Bird Conservancy. The grant will help purchase a 265-acre parcel known as Guyatan, which will feature a demonstration farm. As one of six BioCenters, it will be a training ground for local farmers to learn how to grow sustainable crops while preserving the forest canopy — a winning solution for the birds and the local economy.

Closer to home, the Indiana Forest Alliance is conducting an urban forest inventory to identify the remaining high-quality forests in Marion County and to evaluate their use as migratory bird stopover habitat. Keep Indianapolis Beautiful and the Marian University EcoLab will lead restoration projects to enhance habitat for our central Indiana birds. Two other projects focus on community education: The Indiana Audubon Society is hosting a festival for the Ruby-throated Hummingbird, and the International Crane Foundation will inspire Indiana citizens to promote the protection of the federally endangered Whooping Crane as it migrates through Indiana. The Indiana Raptor Center will purchase software to enhance its ability to care for injured raptors. We trust that all of these projects will contribute towards healthy bird populations into the future.

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#1 Fundraising Champs: Bud & Carl's Legacy Team



Team members
(l-r): Keith Starling,
Janet Tuten, Marty
Williams

Missing Two Members but Finding a New Route

By Marty Williams

Bud and Carl's Legacy Team (BCLT) set off from Keith's house in Noblesville at 3:30 a.m., on Monday, May 14. We were short two members this spring — Amanda and Jerry — who were unable to participate due to illness. Although disappointed with their absence, we were excited to try a new route we had planned earlier this spring. Forgoing our familiar route to spots in the southern counties, we pushed up I-65N into unfamiliar territory to try our luck birding along the Lake Michigan lakefront and at various spots in adjacent counties. Thanks to Janet's excellent navigational preparation, we arrived in Beverly Shores in time for the dawn chorus. As the day progressed we hit target spots that included Michigan City Harbor, Indiana Dunes State Park, Long Lake, Kankakee Sands, Willow Slough, and Mulvey Pond. Then it was back down to our familiar stomping grounds of Eagle Creek and Cool Creek Parks, finishing at dusk with a successful look at the Osprey couple on its their nest atop the Noblesville cell phone tower. Our traditionally unsuccessful look search for the Eastern Screech Owl at River Road Park once again was unsuccessful this year.

We finished the day with 133 species. Of course we had hoped for a higher count, but we were happy with the our decision to try a change, and we were impressed overall with the northern route — in particular, with Beverly Shores and Indiana Dunes State Park, which were both beautiful on an overcast, cool morning with abundant bird song and sightings.

BCLT want to thank our Birdathon donors for their generous donations and support through the years and also to Donna McCarty for her faithful dedication to the Birdathon and to ABAS. 🌀

#2 Fundraising Champs: Noddy Little Gulls



Team members (l-r): Laurie Voss, Lou Anne Barriger,
Wendy Kindig, Cindy Meyer

Change of Plans

By Laurie Voss

The plan was to scout our route on the way up to the lakefront on Saturday in order to be well prepared for our "Birdathon day" on Sunday. Our scribe was noting the species, location, and time we saw them on the trek north. We started spotting lots of birds. Good birds. Great birds! So our plans changed, and our Birdathon began one day early. That is the adventure and strategy of doing a Birdathon. You never know what to expect, what you will see, or how the weather will turn out, but you can count on having great fun.

The Noddy Little Gulls, comprised of Lou Anne Barriger, Wendy Kindig, Cindy Meyer, and Laurie Voss, enjoyed the birds at Pine Creek Game Bird Habitat, the Kankakee Sands area, and several sites along Lake Michigan. We saw six Horned Grebes at Pine Creek but couldn't count one of them. That was because it was the Horned Grebe Birdathon group, conducting their own Birdathon. Our unusual findings included a Black-billed Cuckoo preening itself along the road to Willow Slough, a Common Loon in a pond in the middle of a prairie at Kankakee Sands, a Common Nighthawk flying over in the morning at the lakefront, and a Barred Owl mid-morning while we were looking for a Cerulean Warbler that we heard from our car. Our big "misses" were Downy and Pileated Woodpeckers. We tallied 145 species of birds, just one short of our team record, but still a number we were proud to report.

We are so appreciative of the many donors for their generous support of the Birdathon! Knowing that the funds will be helping the birds that we love makes it all worthwhile. We are already strategizing for next year and can't wait to do it all again. 🌀

#3 Fundraising Champs: Team Carbon Neutral



Team members:
Wes Homoya and Dave
Benson

Chuck Abandons Team

By David Benson

On a typical carbon-neutral Birdathon, our most invaluable teammate, Brother Chuck, shows up about 20 hours late. Since he now lives in California it was unclear whether he would show up at all this year. Wesley Homoya and I (David Benson) started birding in the afternoon of May 7 at Starkey Park in Zionsville, where we picked up 46 species including Gray-cheeked Thrush and Bay-breasted Warbler in David's backyard. We took a sunset bike ride over to Browning wetland, where we happened upon a couple of fluffy fledgling Great-horned Owls. Before dawn the next morning we rode our bikes down to Eagle Creek Park, where Wes managed to find Pine Warbler, Pine Siskin, and Red-breasted Nuthatch among other great sightings. From there we hit the road to find grassland species, including Bobolink but no wet spots for shorebirds. We finished up back in Zionsville with a carbon-neutral record-tying 128 species when Chuck finally joined via phone to tell us about the Anna's Hummingbirds he had spotted on his deck in San Diego. Thanks, Chuck, but like all your other sightings, we can't count them! And thanks to all of our sponsors for their generosity! 🌀



Team members (l-r): Randy
Patrick, David Benson,
Deb Patrick

EcoLab Team A New EcoLab Record

By David Benson

Randy and Deb Patrick and David Benson enjoyed a 24-hour count spanning two days searching only the Marian University properties, including the Nina Mason Pulliam EcoLab. It was a record-breaking effort totaling 86 species, including 22 warblers such as Golden-winged, Black-throated Blue, Canada, and Prothonotary. We almost got skunked by the night birds until Randy saw a Common Nighthawk while eating an early morning Long's donut. Our best bird was a cooperative Canada Warbler that gave us a sustained sunrise sighting. As the afternoon doldrums descended, Deb alerted us to an EcoLab first: a Double-crested Cormorant flyover. Thanks to all of our sponsors for their continued support of the Birdathon and the EcoLab! 🌀


*Congratulations to all of our 2018 Birdathon teams
and a sincere thanks to all of their sponsors!*



Team Bishop Backyard Barred Owl

By Michael Bishop

Team members: Linda and Mike Bishop

Armed with a cooler full of A drinks and sandwiches, we headed out on Tuesday, May 8th, for our 2018 Birdathon effort. We started our day at the voting booth, then headed for Eagle Creek Park. It was turning into a beautiful sunny day, and we were looking forward to a day out birding. The marina offered a few songbirds to get us started, including a Golden-winged Warbler. We had numerous sightings of Bald Eagles in the park, their population apparently flourishing. A Fish Crow was calling near the Nature Center. (Let it be noted the facilities are closed at Eagle Creek on voting day.) A tromp through the north end of the park added Yellow-throated and Blue-headed Vireos plus Great Egret and Red-breasted Merganser at the north end of the reservoir. We moved to Goose Pond early in the afternoon, where we struggled to find some of the usual birds. There were good numbers of Black-necked Stilts, a flock of Semipalmated Sandpipers, more Bald Eagles, and a single flyover Wilson's Phalarope. A drive through Green-Sullivan State Forest added a few more songbirds to our list. Common Nighthawks were calling as we drove through Linton on our way home. Our last bird of the day was a cooperative Barred Owl calling in the backyard at our home. It was a great day to be outside, but we somehow managed to miss several expected species. Thanks to our generous sponsors and to Amos Butler Audubon Society for supporting bird conservation! 

Park's Peeps Highlighting Indy Parks as Birdwatching Destinations

By Daniel Borritt


The Park's Peeps inaugural foray into the world of the Amos Butler Birdathon on May 10th was both fun and fruitful. We made the decision to explore only properties within the Indy Parks system as a way to highlight Indy Parks as destinations for birdwatching in Marion County. We knew that this strategy would likely not win in total number of species, but we hoped to make a decent showing. We think that we did, with a final tally of 118 species.

Our team was composed of Indy Parks staff members, who enjoyed finally getting a chance to spend time together doing something we enjoy: birding! We visited 20 Indy Parks, and while some, such as Eagle Creek Park, were more rewarding than others, each park had its own finds, highlighted by Common Nighthawks at Tarkington Park! While some species



Team members (l-r): Adam Barnes, Daniel Borritt, Will Schaust, Jenna McElroy, Brittany Davis

eluded us, and the heat of the day was burdensome, great fun was had by all, and the day ended with margaritas and chips.

A special thanks to all of our generous supporters. We hope to continue to grow this team and help raise awareness of the bountiful birding opportunities within the Indy Parks system. 



Team members (l-r): Elcira Villarreal, Jeanette Frazier, Victor Chen, Betty Yan

Las Águilas Harpias The Elusive Rock Pigeon

By Jeanette Frazier


Team Las Águilas Harpias followed their 2017 split-day Birdathon itinerary strategy, resulting in a total of 92 species.

We drove to Goose Pond FWA on Monday, May 14, and commenced birding at 1:15 p.m. We began at the Visitor Center and enjoyed good views of singing Bobolinks and Dickcissels. We observed several shorebird species feeding together in the flooded corn stubble of Field E. A surprising Northern Parula bounced along in 2-foot-high weeds before walking in the bare dirt of the field adjacent to our paused vehicle. We managed to find our Blue Grosbeak pair as daylight faded.

Returning to Indianapolis, we made a stop in the Speedway Shopping Center parking lot for Common Nighthawk, which "peented" on cue as we rolled down the windows.

On Tuesday, we stopped by Rick's Boatyard Cafe on Eagle Creek Reservoir for Ring-billed Gull and other species before proceeding to Eagle's Crest Prairie on the west side of Eagle Creek Park. Henslow's Sparrow failed to oblige, but a Great Crested Flycatcher observed us at our eye level and then flew to the ground in front of us for further inspection. A singing Prothonotary Warbler greeted us nearby at the Ornithology Center door. Multiple Blackpoll Warblers and Scarlet Tanagers won out in numbers at the Eagle Creek Park Marina.

Oddly, we did not collectively record Rock Pigeon (Feral).

We topped off our 24-hour birding period with a delicious late lunch of Dim Sum at Lucky Lou's Chinese Restaurant! 

High-count Champs: The Horned Grebes A Tale of Two Seasons


By Ryan Sanderson

The Horned Grebes set out on our traditional Goose Pond-to-Lake Michigan 24-hour 8 p.m. p.m. route this year. It was a tale of two seasons. A beautiful evening at Goose Pond led into a mild overnight with blue skies and warblers meeting us at Eagle Creek. Indeed, when we left Indianapolis it was 83 degrees. By the time we arrived at Lake Michigan, it was 47 degrees and only getting colder. In a team Horned Grebes first, we ran into a competing Birdathon team, the Noddy Little



Team members, back row: Jeff McCoy, Aidan Rominger, Nick Kiehl. Front row: Ryan Sanderson, Ryan Hamilton, Mike Maxwell

Gulls, at Kankakee Sands. We were able to help each other get a few species of birds, including a very high-flying Peregrine Falcon.

A great time was had by all, with highlights including both Baird's and White-rumped Sandpipers at Goose Pond, 31 warbler species, and a nice flock of Cattle Egrets at Goose Pond. Unfortunately, with the weather turning we missed 10+ species we'd had on a scouting trip the prior weekend! Thanks to all of our sponsors for helping us on for another great Birdathon! 



Team members (l-r): Brian Cunningham, Rob Ripma, Amy Hodson, John Schaust

Wild Birds Unlimited Team It's All for the Birds!

By Amy Hodson

After 20 hours of birding, 500+ odometer miles, 20 Indiana counties traveled through, and countless laughs, Team Wild Birds Unlimited logged 156 species during our 2018 Big Day!

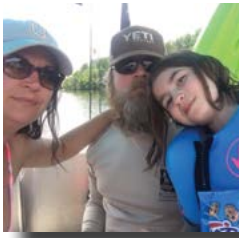
The timing for our Big Day this year was perfect for another "Lakefront to Goose Pond" run. So we loaded up the van and took off for northern Indiana! We began our day at 2:00 a.m. at Potato Creek State Park. After picking up nocturnal species, we spent sunrise at Michigan City and birded our way west along the lakefront. The plan was to pick up as many migrants as possible, then head south towards Goose Pond FWA. However, our plans changed when one unlikely bird decided to show up — a White-tailed Kite was being seen at Reynolds Creek Game Bird Habitat Area!

Some years, it can be difficult to pick a favorite species from a Big Day. This year, there is no question as to which bird takes the prize. Thankfully, the kite decided to stick around for our team, and we logged it as species #101 for the day!

After seeing the kite, we worked our way south and finished the day with a beautiful sunset at Goose Pond. Our "biggest miss" was a Hairy Woodpecker. It was silly not to have had that bird on our day list! All-in-all, it was a wonderful Big Day of birding with great friends and teammates.

A special thank you to all of our sponsors. We truly appreciate your support for our team and for the important projects being funded by the Birdathon. We would also like to thank our families, friends, and especially Wild Birds Unlimited for making our Big Day possible through their generous support.





Wren's Warblers The Boat Exploring Nature

by Wren and Melissa Upchurch

Team members (l-r): Melissa, Alex, and Wren Upchurch

One day on the boat we went searching for birds, and we saw so many birds! My dad and mom were there with me. It was a Saturday, May 26th, to be exact. We had such a good time, and I got to play games and eat ice cream, too! I hoped you like it. Thank you to my mom and dad for being on my team this year. Wren

On Saturday, May 26th, Wren and a smaller team of Warblers, and her parents Alex and Melissa made it through the hot day via pontoon on Eagle Creek Reservoir. We explored as much of the lake as we could: from the dam by Rick's Boatyard Café, to the sailboat club, to the marina (where you can buy ice cream!), and to the northside by the Lafayette Road bridge. We had such a great time, and we were very surprised, given the 94-degree temperature, that we had such a good show of species. The Bald Eagles were showing off a little, which was so cool to watch. We ended the day with 59 species and a good start to the summer tan. Wren would like to thank all who have donated! *Melissa* 🐾



Close Encounters of the Bird Kind Plenty of UFOs

By Kerry Wonders

Team members: Kerry Wonders (l), Drew Hoffman (r)

We saw plenty of unidentified flying objects during our Big Day adventure! We are novice birders, new to the Big Day scene. Our Big Day goals were to have fun and learn more about Indiana birds. We met our goals easily.

We had lots of laughs and a few bloopers during our Big Day, which took place mostly along the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore. The Pied-billed Grebe did not make our list because one team member accidentally bumped the scope before it was viewed. The elusive grebe went under and was not seen again. We were beginning to think we might not see a Blue Jay, but thankfully one magically appeared along our path at Eagle Creek Park just in time. We enjoyed the frenzied excitement of the White-tailed Kite appearing at the Reynold's Creek Game Bird Habitat Area and are happy to report that we had a successful sighting of it during our Big Day.

We are still fondly reflecting on our Big Day. Funny incidents and all! We are thrilled to be a part of this event and to support the wonderful conservation efforts and programs of the Amos Butler Audubon Society! 🐾

Indiana Young Birders Club A Quest for Two Kites in One Day

By Mathais Benko



Team members (l-r): Mathais Benko, Ceth Williams, Jonathan Bontrager

We started the day off at the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore and quickly picked up Caspian Tern and Least Flycatcher. Because we knew that the third state-record White-tailed Kite had been found the previous day, we were constantly refreshing Facebook for updates. At 6:30 a.m., we received a report that the kite was still present, so we quickly rushed over to Reynolds Creek. Within seconds of pulling into the parking lot, we located the bird; it was definitely the best bird of the day. After sighting the kite, we traversed Indiana Dunes State Park to pick up our migrant species. We had 20 species of warblers, including an unusual Worm-eating Warbler. After walking the trails around the nature center, we headed to the observation tower; there, we found Lincoln's Sparrow and Prairie Warbler. From there, we headed south to Kankakee Sands, where we were rewarded with Horned Lark, Savannah Sparrow, Ring-necked Pheasant, and Virginia Rail. By the time we were done at Kankakee, it was getting late in the afternoon, so we headed back to Indianapolis with the intention of finding the Mississippi Kite at Sodalis Nature Park. Even though we ended up not finding the bird, we were able to relocate the continuing Yellow-crowned Night-Heron at Intech Business Park and a lone Sandhill Crane, which were two great additions to our day. With 109 species, we had a great day! 🐾

The Community Hospital Team Birding on Coffee and Long's Donuts

By Doug Sherow

We had a great, although somewhat windy, day, drove over 260 miles, and did not break our prior year record of 111. This year we ended up with exactly 100 species of birds.

We spent the better part of 12 hours driving, stopping, listening, hiking, and sighting the 100 species of birds that we found in Central and Southwestern Indiana. We followed routes that took us through parts of the Morgan-Monroe Forest and on to the Lake Lemon area. After that we traversed Goose Pond and that vicinity. We finished by checking areas along Indiana Route 67 back to the Indianapolis area and topped it off with an Osprey sighting atop a cell tower. As usual, our trek was bolstered by lots of coffee and Long's donuts. Not a bad day's work for a very early Birdathon outing. 🐾



Team members (l-r): Doug Sherow, Greg Steffen, John Munshower

2018 Birdathon Species List:

(geese, swans, ducks) Canada Goose, Mute Swan, Wood Duck, Gadwall, American Black Duck, Mallard, Blue-winged Teal, Northern Shoveler, Ring-necked Duck, Lesser Scaup, Common Merganser, Red-breasted Merganser, Ruddy Duck; (game birds) Northern Bobwhite, Ring-necked Pheasant, Wild Turkey; (loons) Common Loon; (grebes) Pied-billed Grebe; (cormorants) Double-crested Cormorant; (herons) Least Bittern, Great Blue Heron, Great Egret, Green Heron, Black-crowned Night-Heron; (vultures) Turkey Vulture; (hawks, kites, eagles) Osprey, White-tailed Kite, Mississippi Kite, Bald Eagle, Northern Harrier, Cooper's Hawk, Red-shouldered Hawk, Broad-winged Hawk, Red-tailed Hawk; (falcons) American Kestrel, Peregrine Falcon; (rails, gallinules) Virginia Rail, Sora, Purple Gallinule, Common Gallinule, American Coot; (cranes) Sandhill Crane; (plovers) Semipalmated Plover, Killdeer; (stilts, avocets) Black-necked Stilt; (sandpipers) Spotted Sandpiper, Solitary Sandpiper, Greater Yellowlegs, Lesser Yellowlegs, Willet, Semipalmated Sandpiper, Least Sandpiper, White-rumped Sandpiper, Pectoral Sandpiper, Dunlin, Stilt Sandpiper, Short-billed Dowitcher, American Woodcock, Wilson's Phalarope; (gulls) Ring-billed Gull, Herring Gull; (terns) Least Tern, Caspian Tern, Black Tern, Common Tern, Forster's Tern; (pigeons, doves) Rock Pigeon, Eurasian Collared-Dove, Mourning Dove; (cuckoos) Yellow-billed Cuckoo; (owls) Barn Owl, Eastern Screech-Owl, Great Horned Owl, Barred Owl; (nightjars) Common Nighthawk, Chuck-will's-widow, Eastern Whip-poor-will; (swifts) Chimney Swift; (hummingbirds) Ruby-throated Hummingbird; (kingfishers) Belted Kingfisher; (woodpeckers) Red-headed Woodpecker, Red-bellied Woodpecker, Yellow-bellied Sapsucker, Downy Woodpecker, Hairy Woodpecker, Northern Flicker, Pileated Woodpecker; (flycatchers) Olive-sided Flycatcher, Eastern Wood-Pewee, Acadian Flycatcher, Alder Flycatcher, Willow Flycatcher, Least Flycatcher, Eastern Phoebe, Great Crested Flycatcher, Eastern Kingbird; (vireos) White-eyed Vireo, Bell's Vireo, Yellow-throated Vireo, Blue-headed Vireo, Warbling Vireo, Philadelphia Vireo, Red-eyed Vireo; (jays, crows) Blue Jay, American Crow, Fish Crow; (larks) Horned Lark; (swallows) Purple Martin, Tree Swallow, Northern Rough-winged Swallow, Bank Swallow, Cliff Swallow, Barn Swallow; (chickadees, titmice) Carolina Chickadee, Black-capped Chickadee, Tufted Titmouse; (nuthatches) Red-breasted Nuthatch, White-breasted Nuthatch; (creepers) Brown Creeper; (wrens) House Wren, Marsh Wren, Carolina Wren; (gnatcatchers) Blue-gray Gnatcatcher; (kinglets) Ruby-crowned Kinglet; (thrushes) Eastern Bluebird, Veery, Gray-cheeked Thrush, Swainson's Thrush, Wood Thrush, American Robin; (mimids) Gray Catbird, Northern Mockingbird, Brown Thrasher; (starlings) European Starling; (waxwings) Cedar Waxwing; (warblers) Blue-winged Warbler, Golden-winged Warbler, Tennessee Warbler, Nashville Warbler, Northern Parula, Yellow Warbler, Chestnut-sided Warbler, Magnolia Warbler, Cape May Warbler, Black-throated Blue Warbler, Yellow-rumped Warbler, Black-throated Green Warbler, Blackburnian Warbler, Yellow-throated Warbler, Pine Warbler, Prairie Warbler, Palm Warbler, Bay-breasted Warbler, Blackpoll Warbler, Cerulean Warbler, Black-and-white Warbler, American Redstart, Prothonotary Warbler, Worm-eating Warbler, Ovenbird, Louisiana Waterthrush, Northern Waterthrush, Kentucky Warbler, Connecticut Warbler, Mourning Warbler, Common Yellowthroat, Hooded Warbler, Wilson's Warbler, Canada Warbler, Yellow-breasted Chat; (tanagers) Summer Tanager, Scarlet Tanager; (sparrows) Eastern Towhee, Chipping Sparrow, Field Sparrow, Vesper Sparrow, Savannah Sparrow, Grasshopper Sparrow, Henslow's Sparrow, Song Sparrow, Lincoln's, Swamp Sparrow, White-throated Sparrow, White-crowned Sparrow; (grosbeaks, buntings) Northern Cardinal, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Blue Grosbeak, Indigo Bunting, Dickcissel; (blackbirds, orioles) Bobolink, Red-winged Blackbird, Eastern Meadowlark, Western Meadowlark, Common Grackle, Brown-headed Cowbird, Orchard Oriole, Baltimore Oriole; (finches) House Finch, Pine Siskin, American Goldfinch; (Old World sparrows) House Sparrow

Official combined count total of all teams: 200 species

- 179 **The Horned Grebes:** Ryan Hamilton, Nick Kiehl, Mike Maxwell, Jeff McCoy, Aidan Rominger, Ryan Sanderson
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