

BIRDING RESOURCES FOR NEW YORK BIRDERS

(for the Facebook New York Birders Page and for NYS birders in General)

Birding can be a recreational pursuit, a passion, even a career. It is definitely a community of talented and knowledgeable people who believe in sharing information and expertise. If you are new to birding, we encourage you to engage with our community. There are a number of options available in addition to Facebook New York Birders. They include:

- Subscribing to a mailing list (online systems in which birders report on bird sightings in a specific geographical area),
- Belonging to a bird club and/or Audubon society, attending their meetings and going on their field trips,
- Reporting your sightings to [eBird](#) (an online checklist program which allows your sightings to be part of a larger database of bird data),
- Engaging in citizen science programs, like your local Christmas Bird Count, eBird, or the Cornell Lab of Ornithology Nestwatch project,
- Contributing your time to a conservation project, commenting on proposals in your area that impact on wildlife and the environment.

Postings on the FB New York Birders page are mainly concerned with bird sightings and activities like field trips (though many of us are also involved with citizen science and conservation). If you are new to birding, or to birding in NYS, here are lists of mailing lists in the state and of state and regional birding organizations. These are state organizations only, though we also encourage you to check out the [American Birding Association \(ABA\)](#), an organization about birding for birders.

Mailing Lists and Listservs for NYS birders

Mailing lists and listservs are Internet-based communication systems. Birders use them to spread the word about unusual sightings and other information related to birding. They're sometimes referred to as "lists".

Birders are encouraged to use these lists, especially when they have sighted an unusual bird. Although many of us also text and tweet, the lists are acknowledged to be the communication vehicle used by the most birders, and the easiest to access. You can find out how to subscribe on the home page of each list. It is pretty easy, just a matter of sending in your email address (and becoming a member of Yahoo for the Yahoo-based lists).

You can also read many of these email lists on the American Birding Association's [Birding News page](#): <http://birding.aba.org/>. However, this option does not allow you to post your sightings.

NYSBirds-L

<http://www.northeastbirding.com/NYSbirdsWELCOME>

NYSbirds-L is an email list focused on the discussion of birds and birding in and around New York State. The primary purpose of the List is to disseminate information about wild bird sightings in and around New York State in a timely manner and to provide an effective electronic forum for New York State area birders.

For additional information and rules of the List, including information about archives and list settings, please visit the following page: [NYSbirds-L – Information and Rules](#)

CayugaBirds-L

<http://www.northeastbirding.com/CayugabirdsWELCOME>

Cayugabirds-L is an email list focused on the discussion of birds and birding in the Finger Lakes Region, centered on the Cayuga Lake Basin. The primary purpose of the List is to disseminate information about wild bird sightings in

and around the Finger Lakes Region in a timely manner and to provide an effective electronic forum for Upstate New York area birders.

CVBirds (Chemung Valley)

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CVBIRDS/>

CVBIRDS is a listserve for nature lovers in the Chemung Valley area of NY State. The primary focus of the list is wild birds, their behavior, actions, sightings, and environment. Other nature topics can be discussed as well.

eBirdsNYC

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ebirdsnyc>

eBirdsNYC is primarily for reporting wild bird sightings within NYC and surrounding areas, defined rather vaguely - it might include places like Brigantine and Cape May in migration, the Adirondacks and Catskills during winter etc. Basically anywhere that's a reasonable day-trip for NYC-based birders that has interesting birds.

GeneseeBirds-L

<http://mail.geneseo.edu/mailman/listinfo/geneseebirds-l>

Focuses on birds and birding in western New York.

Hudson-Mohawk Birds (HMBirds)

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/hmbirds/>

HMBirds is mainly for reports of bird sightings and interesting bird behavior in the eleven counties surrounding Albany, NY. HMBirds is open to everyone interested in birding in the Hudson-Mohawk Region. HMBirds is sponsored by the Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club, but you do not have to be a member of the Club to join HMBirds.

MidHudson Birds

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MidHudsonBirds/>

A forum for the dissemination of wild bird observations in the Ulster, Dutchess, Greene, and Columbia County areas of New York State, including the Catskill and Shawangunk Mountains. Related natural history observations within this geographical area, and relevant posts from outside of this area are also welcome.

Northern New York Birds

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/northern_NY_birds/

A discussion area for amateur to expert birders to report rare, unusual, or simply interesting bird sightings in Northern NY. This would include the Adirondacks, St. Lawrence, Tug Hill, Eastern Lake Ontario, and Lake Champlain areas. Loosely, anywhere east of Lake Ontario/I-81 and north of I-90. Relevant cross-postings from neighboring groups are also encouraged.

OneidaBirds

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/oneidabirds/>

The Oneidabirds listserv has the following goals: To help Central New York birders exchange their bird sightings quickly; to encourage discussion on bird related topic, to inform birders of upcoming events.

OSBirds (Otsego-Schoharie)

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/osbirds/>

Sightings and discussion about birds for Delaware, Otsego & Schoharie Counties of New York, and nearby areas.

SINaturalist

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/sinaturalist>

This group is for people interested in bird watching on Staten Island, and all natural science and environmental news relating to Staten Island, NY.

NYS Birding Organizations

There are over 50 organizations for birders in New York State! Join one, be a part of our community. Membership information is available on each organization's website. If the club or society does not have a website, I've listed an email address or phone number.

The names, addresses, and websites of these organizations have been gathered from the websites of the New York Ornithological Association and Audubon New York. Thanks!

State-Wide Birding Organizations

Audubon New York

<http://ny.audubon.org/>
200 Trillium Lane
Albany, NY 12203

New York State Bluebird Society

<http://www.nysbs.org/>
5157 Orangeport Rd.
Brewerton NY 13029

New York State Ornithological Association

<http://www.nybirds.org/>

New York State Young Birders Club

<http://www.nysyoungbirders.org/>

Regional Membership Organizations

Alan Devoe Bird Club

P.O. Box 20
Chatham, NY 12037

Allegany County Bird Club

173 E. State St.
Wellsville, NY 14895
Email: braackc@alleganyco.com

Audubon Society of the Capital Region

<http://www.capitalregionaudubon.org/>

Bedford Audubon Society

<http://www.bedfordaudubon.org>
35 Todd Road
Katonah NY 10536

Bronx River-Sound Shore Audubon Society

<http://www.brssaudubon.org/>
P. O. Box 1108

Scarsdale, NY 10583

Lower Westchester County, NY, in the communities of Bronxville, Eastchester, Edgemont, Hartsdale, Larchmont, Mamaroneck, Mount Vernon, New Rochelle, Pelham, Scarsdale and Tuckahoe.

Brooklyn Bird Club

<http://www.brooklynbirdclub.org/>

email address: info@brooklynbirdclub.org

Buffalo Audubon Society

<http://www.buffaloaudubon.org/>

1610 Welch Rd

North Java, NY 14113

Buffalo Ornithological Society

<http://www.buffaloornithologicalsociety.org/>

Buffalo Museum of Science

1020 Humboldt Parkway

Buffalo, NY 14211-1293

Burroughs Audubon Nature Club

<http://bancny.org/>

126 Ayrault Rd.

Fairport, NY 14450

Greater Rochester area.

Cattaraugus County Bird Club

<http://cattbird.org/>

c/o Regina M. VanScoy

5557 Nichols Run

Limestone, NY 14753

Cayuga Bird Club

<http://www.cayugabirdclub.org/>

159 Sapsucker Woods Road

Ithaca, NY 14850

Central Westchester Audubon Society

<http://www.centralwestchesteraudubon.org/>

P.O. Box 359, White Plains, NY 10602

Elmsford, Greenburgh, Harrison, Purchase, Rye, Rye Brook, Port Chester, White Plains

Chemung Valley Audubon Society

<http://www.freewebs.com/cvas/>

P.O. Box 663

Elmira, NY 14902

Chenango Bird Club

<http://www.surfbirds.com/community-blogs/ChenangoBirdClub/>

3683 County Rd 32

Oxford, NY 13830

Delaware-Otsego Audubon Society

<http://doas.us/>

P.O. Box 544
Oneonta, NY 13820

Eastern Long Island Audubon Society

(formerly Moriches Bay Audubon Society)
<http://www.easternlongislandaudubonsociety.org>
P.O. Box 206
East Quogue, NY 11942-0206

Eaton Birding Society

<http://eatonbirds.webs.com/>
19 Herbert St.
Geneva NY 14456
Northern Finger Lakes region

Edgar A. Mearns Bird Club

<http://mearnsbirdclub.org/>
8 Park Road
Salisbury Mills, NY 12577
Orange County

Four Harbors Audubon Society

<http://fourharborsaudubon.org>
P.O. Box 101
St. James, NY 11780

Genesee Valley Audubon

<http://www.gvaudubon.org>
Genesee Valley Audubon Society
P.O. Box 15512
Rochester, NY 14615-0512

Great South Bay Audubon Society

<http://www.gsbas.org>
P.O. Box 267
Sayville, NY 11782-0267

Hudson River Audubon Society of Westchester

(formerly Yonkers Audubon Society)
<http://www.hras.org/>
P.O. Box 616
Yonkers, NY 10703

Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club

<http://www.hmbc.net/>
c/o Five Rivers EEC
56 Game Farm Rd.
Delmar, NY 12054

Huntington-Oyster Bay Audubon Society

<http://www.hobaudubon.org/>
P.O. Box 735

Huntington, NY 11743

Jamestown Audubon Society

<http://www.jamestownaudubon.org>

Audubon Center & Sanctuary

1600 Riverside Road

Jamestown, NY 14701

Kirkland Bird Club

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Kirkland-Bird-Club/179119088798483>

c/o Karen Evert

75 Chestnut Hills

New Hartford, NY 13413

Oneida County area

Lake Erie Bird Club

6 Pine Drive

Fredonia, NY 14063

Email: goetz@netsync.net

Meeting schedule posted on Jamestown Audubon Society website under links/friends and partners.

The Linnaean Society of New York

<http://linnaeannewyork.org/>

P.O. Box 4121

New York, NY 10163-4121

Naturalists' Club of Broome County

<http://www.naturalistsclub.org/>

P.O. Box 191

Vestal, NY 13851-0191

New York City Audubon Society

<http://www.nycaudubon.org/>

71 West 23rd Street, Suite 1523

New York, NY 10010

North Country Bird Club

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/North-Country-Bird-Club/98540286097>

P.O. Box 634

Watertown, NY 13601

North Fork Audubon Society

<http://www.northforkaudubon.org/>

P.O. Box 973

Mattituck, NY 11952

North Shore Audubon Society

(formerly Lyman Langdon Audubon Society)

<http://www.northshoreaudubon.org>

P.O. Box 763

Port Washington, NY 11050

Northern Catskills Audubon Society

PO Box 68
Palenville, NY 12463
Phone number: [518-678-3248](tel:518-678-3248)
Greene County

Northern New York Audubon Society Inc.

*(formerly High Peaks Audubon Society &
St. Lawrence/Adirondack Audubon)*

<http://nnya.org/>
PO Box 488
Keene Valley, NY 12943

Onondaga Audubon Society

<http://onondagaaudubon.com/>
P.O. Box 620
Syracuse, NY 13201

Orange County Audubon Society

<http://www.orangecountynyaudubon.com>
PO Box 836
Middletown NY 10940

Putnam Highlands Audubon

<http://www.putnamhighlandsaudubon.org>

Queens County Bird Club

<http://www.qcbirdclub.org/>
c/o Alley Pond Environmental Center
228-06 Northern Boulevard
Douglaston, NY 11363-1890

Ralph T. Waterman Bird Club

<http://watermanbirdclub.org/>
P.O. Box 487
LaGrangeville, NY 12540
Dutchess County

Rochester Birding Association

<http://www.rochesterbirding.com/>
187 Longridge Avenue
Rochester, NY 14616

Rockland Audubon

<http://www.rocklandaudubon.org/>
P.O. Box 404
New City, NY 10956

Saw Mill River Audubon

<http://www.sawmillriveraudubon.org/>
275 Millwood Road
Chappaqua, NY 10514

Southern Adirondack Audubon Society

<http://www.southernadirondackaudubon.org/>
4 Windy Ln.
S. Glens Falls, NY 12803
Warren, Washington, and northern Saratoga counties

South Shore Audubon Society

<http://www.ssaudubon.org/>
P.O. Box 31
Freeport, NY 11520-0031

Sullivan County Audubon Society

<http://www.sullivanadubon.org/>
P.O. Box 30
Loch Sheldrake, NY 12759

Tioga Bird Club

36 Logan Hill Road
Candor, NY 13743
email: bpbird@frontiernet.net

Educational, Wildlife Rehab, and Other Birding Organizations in NYS

Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology

<http://birds.cornell.edu/>

John Burroughs Natural History Society

<http://jbnhs.org/>

New York State Avian Records Committee

<http://www.nybirds.org/NYSARC/index.htm>

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/>

New York State Wildlife Rehabilitators List

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/83977.html>

Roger Tory Peterson Institute of Natural History

<http://www.rtpi.org/>
311 Curtis St
Jamestown, NY 14701

And...

For more information about NYS wildlife sanctuaries, birding hotspots, national birding organizations, ornithological projects, etc., these pages offer useful links. Also check the websites of the above organizations for links to local wildlife sanctuaries and educational associations.

NYSOA - Resources

<http://nybirds.org/ResourceWebLinks.htm>

NY Audubon – Birds and Wildlife

<http://ny.audubon.org/birds-wildlife>

Birds of New York State

<http://library.sunyacc.edu/birds>

An online guide to birding resources out of the SUNY Adirondack Library.

Long Island Birding

http://www.libirding.com/LI_Birds/

A site about Long Island birds and birding.