

November 2019 Field Trips

NOTE: Check DuPageBirding.org for any trip changes, additions or cancellations. The coming months are the time to see late fall and early winter birds. Some species are only seen this time of year. There are opportunities for all types of birders to participate and enjoy the season. Please dress for the weather and trail conditions. We expect everyone to enjoy birding in a safe manner by being careful and prudent.

Situations sometimes change. Check our DBC website (DuPage Birding Club) for the latest status information. Participants are welcome to contact the trip leader if they have questions including additional driving directions.

Saturday, November 9, 8:30 am

St. James Farm Forest Preserve, Warrenville

The monthly Cantigny walk will be at the adjacent St. James Farm. Like Cantigny, St. James was once a McCormick family property. Please bear in mind that Cantigny walks are often attended by 25 or more birders! Meet in the main parking lot of St. James. Enter off Winfield Rd., just north of Butterfield.

Leader: Jeff Reiter, jreiter@wordsonbirds.com

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Channahon Area, Will County - Advance registration required!

There are birds for viewing at the formation area of the Illinois River, where the Kankakee, Des Plaines and DuPage Rivers converge. We will check the birding at several places in the vicinity of Channahon. Let's carpool together on this trip.* We may do some trail walking. Wear appropriate clothing and shoes. This trip will go at least until noon. We plan to stop for lunch before driving back to the carpool site. Please contact the trip leaders if you plan to participate, as we may cancel the trip for seriously inclement weather.

Leaders: Bob & Jean Spitzer, 630-790-4842, bspitzer@dupagebirding.org
(birding day Cell: 630-222-3307)

*Note: To carpool, meet at Bolingbrook Park & Ride, just south of I-55, off of Route 53 (Left at Old Chicago Drive) at 7:00 a.m.)

Sunday November 17, 8:00 am

McKee Marsh, Warrenville

Join another morning walk to the marsh to look for late migrants and winter residents. Bring a spotting scope if you have one. Meet at the visitor parking lot on the north side of Mack Rd., located between Winfield Rd. and Rt. 59 in Warrenville. Most of our walk will be on Preserve limestone and earthen trails; wear appropriate shoes and clothing.

Leaders: Steve and Kathy Mineck, day of: 630-254-4077, kmineck@dupagebirding.org

Sunday, November 24, 7:30 am

Elsen's Hill - West DuPage Woods, Winfield

This is a morning trip of an hour or two followed by coffee, tea, pastries, and feeder watching at Mark and Pam's. We will target late fall migrants and winter residents. We'll meet at Elsen's Hill parking lot. Take Winfield Rd. to Gary's Mill Rd. Go west on Gary's Mill Rd. to the preserve parking lot entrance on the north side of the road. Dress for the weather, the trails are often muddy.

Leader: Mark Bavetz, mbavetz@dupagebirding.org