

**BECKHAM BIRD CLUB**  
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**ACTIVITIES CALENDAR: APRIL THROUGH JUNE 2024**

DATE, TIME, RATING	ACTIVITY	LEADER
Wednesday, April 3 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. easy	<b>DRAUT PARK</b> – For winter birds, early migrants and residents. Meet in parking lot on Bowling Boulevard. <b>GPS: 38.242791, -85.629445</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L1161147">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L1161147</a> )	Karen Bonsell 502-794-3526
Sunday, April 7 9 a.m. – noon easy	<b>HARRODS CREEK PARK</b> – For early migrants, residents, winter birds. 6530 Montero Dr., Prospect. Meet at the parking lot at the bottom of the hill. <b>GPS: 38.340941, -85.600052</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L1540198">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L1540198</a> )	Win Ahrens 502-500-1175
Tuesday, April 9	<b>MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING</b> - 7:00 p.m. – St. Mark's Episcopal Church - 2822 Frankfort Ave – corner of Frankfort and Kennedy	
Saturday, April 13 8:30 a.m. – noon easy/moderate	<b>TURKEY RUN PARK</b> – Brown-Forman Silo area. Residents and migrants. Directions: From I-265 exit (19) Billtown Road, go south and turn left at the T; go 1.5 miles and turn right into Turkey Run Park entrance; continue through the park to the Brown-Forman Silo parking lot. <b>GPS: 38.115846, -85.533371</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L3970586">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L3970586</a> )	Meg and Steve Brown 502-435-3967
Wednesday, April 17 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. easy	<b>CHEROKEE PARK/NETTLEROTH SANCTUARY</b> – For residents, early migrants. Meet at the base of Maple Road near the entrance to Nettleloth. <b>GPS: 38.241906, -85.695007</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L597108">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L597108</a> )	Karen Bonsell 502-794-3526
Saturday, April 20 8:00 a.m. – noon easy	<b>BECKLEY CREEK PARK – GRAND ALLEE SECTION</b> – For lingering winter birds, migrants and residents. Meet at the "Port-a-Potty" parking lot at the south end of the Humana Grand Allee just before the large bridge over the creek. <b>GPS: 38.209077, -85.474110</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L2876955">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L2876955</a> )	Andrew Melnykovich 502-608-4655
Sunday, April 21 8 a.m. CDT - ?? moderate/strenuous	<b>SLOUGHS WMA, HENDERSON CO. KY</b> — Meet at the observation platform on Highway 268. For directions check DeLorme Atlas page 44 quadrant A 2&3. Bring lunch, shoes for wading, & extra clothes. <b>GPS: 37.850231, -87.742674</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L479616">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L479616</a> )	Brainard Palmer-Ball 502-330-3998
April 26-28	<b>KENTUCKY ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY SPRING MEETING</b> Mammoth Cave National Park See KOS website or <i>Kentucky Warbler</i> for details	
Saturday, April 27 8:30 am-noon easy	<b>CREASEY-MAHAN NATURE PRESERVE</b> – For residents and early migrants. Directions: turn left from US 42 onto KY 1793 at North Oldham High School. Preserve is about 1.5 miles on Old Harmony Landing Road. Meet at parking lot near Education Building. <b>GPS: 38.400504, -85.590233</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L1124187">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L1124187</a> )	Kevin Flowers 502-648-6826
Sunday, May 5 8:30 a.m. – noon easy	<b>POPE LICK PARK</b> – For migrants, breeding birds. From Gene Snyder get off at Taylorsville Rd toward Fisherville, go about a mile, & take a right on South Pope Lick Rd. Follow signs to Pope Lick Park, part of the Parklands. Meet in the parking lot. (formerly called Floyds Fork Park) <b>GPS: 38.184655, -85.488095</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L596209">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L596209</a> )	Christine Hayden 502-640-3445
Friday, May 10 8:30 a.m. – noon easy	<b>BERNHEIM FOREST</b> – For migrants and residents. Meet at the Bernheim Forest Arboretum Way parking lot, next to Lake Nevin and the old education center rotunda. Directions: I-65 south from Louisville to exit 112. Bernheim entrance is about one mile east on KY 245. About 30 minutes from Louisville. <b>GPS: 37.918889, -85.669087</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L286341">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L286341</a> )	Meg and Steve Brown 502-435-3967
Saturday, May 11	<b>GLOBAL BIG DAY</b> - See May newsletter for details.	
Tuesday, May 14	<b>MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING/OFFICER &amp; BOARD ELECTION</b> - 7:00 p.m. — St. Mark's Episcopal Church - 2822 Frankfort Ave – corner of Frankfort and Kennedy	
Wednesday, May 15 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. easy	<b>CHEROKEE PARK/NETTLEROTH SANCTUARY</b> – For residents, migrants. Meet at the base of Maple Road near the entrance to Nettleloth. <b>GPS: 38.241906, -85.695007</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L597108">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L597108</a> )	Karen Bonsell 502-794-3526
Thursday, May 16 8:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. easy	<b>CAPERTON SWAMP</b> – For migrants, residents, summer birds. Meet in the parking lot on River Road. <b>GPS: 38.290277, -85.681183</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L601823">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L601823</a> )	Andrew Melnykovich 502-608-4655
Sunday, May 19 8 a.m. CDT – ??? easy	<b>MAMMOTH CAVE NATIONAL PARK</b> – For spring migrants and residents. Meet at Little Hope Cemetery inside the park. <i>PLEASE DO NOT BIRD THE CEMETERY BEFORE THE TRIP BEGINS.</i> Bring lunch. <b>GPS: 37.154126, -86.053762</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L1337848">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L1337848</a> )	Pat & Jane Bell 502-419-5262

Thursday, May 23 8 a.m. – noon easy/moderate	<b>TURKEY RUN PARK</b> – Brown-Forman Silo and Boulder Pond/Sky Dome areas. Residents and late migrants. Directions: From I-265 exit (19) Billtown Road, go south and turn left at the T; go 1.5 miles and turn right into Turkey Run Park entrance; continue through the park to the Brown-Forman Silo parking lot. <b>GPS: 38.115846, -85.533371</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L3970586">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L3970586</a> ) ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L26519455">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L26519455</a> )	Andrew Melnykovich 502-608-4655
Sunday, June 2 8:30 a.m. – noon easy	<b>BECKLEY CREEK PARK – GRAND ALLEE SECTION</b> - For summer arrivals and residents. Meet at the “Port-a-Potty” parking lot at the south end of the Humana Grand Allee just before the large bridge over the creek. <b>GPS: 38.209077, -85.474110</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L2876955">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L2876955</a> )	Meg and Steve Brown 502-435-3967
Saturday, June 8 8 a.m.- 11 a.m. easy	<b>HAYS-KENNEDY PARK/GARVIN BROWN PRESERVE</b> – Residents. Meet in the parking lot of Hays Kennedy Park off Upper River Road. <b>GPS: 38.352711, -85.630354</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L673935">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L673935</a> ) ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L607668">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L607668</a> )	Kevin Flowers 502-648-6826
Sunday, June 9	<b>BECKHAM BIRD CLUB PICNIC – CREASEY-MAHAN NATURE PRESERVE</b> –Directions: turn left from US 42 onto KY 1793 at North Oldham High School. Preserve is about 1.5 miles on Old Harmony Landing Road. <b>GPS: 38.400504, -85.590233</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L1124187">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L1124187</a> ) Further details in newsletter.	
Wednesday, June 12 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. easy	<b>DRAUT PARK</b> – For resident and summer birds. Meet in parking lot on Bowling Boulevard. <b>GPS: 38.242791, -85.629445</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L1161147">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L1161147</a> )	Karen Bonsell 502-794-3526
Saturday, June 15 8:30 a.m. – noon easy	<b>LONG RUN PARK</b> – For residents and waterfowl. From intersection of Shelbyville Road and Flat Rock Road, about 2 miles north on Flat Rock Road to park entrance, then ¼ mile to first fork and left at fork and then first right to boat launch ramp parking area. <b>GPS: 38.266796, -85.419667</b> ( <a href="https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L2706091">https://birdinghotspots.org/hotspot/L2706091</a> )	Christine Hayden 502-640-3445

## GUIDELINES FOR FIELD TRIPS

### TO MAKE OUR TRIPS MORE ENJOYABLE

1. Arrive a few minutes before the scheduled field trip. The time stated is the STARTING time, not the arrival time. This will give you time to sign the release form and be ready to go.
2. Check the monthly Observer for changes or corrections to the field trip schedule.
3. PLEASE NOTE: Field trips are subject to cancellation, rescheduling or relocation due to weather, habitat conditions or other circumstances. If there is constant rain, extreme hot or cold temperatures, ice or snow, you should contact trip leaders for the latest update on the trip. Also, trip leaders will post information about any changes on the birdky listserv. To look for updates, go to <http://birding.aba.org/maillistdigest/KY>. To subscribe, go to <https://www.freelists.org/list/birdky>.
4. Keep talking to a minimum and speak in hushed tones. Birds react to motion so minimize your movements.
5. Please stay with the leader. Do not go ahead of the leader(s) or lag behind. Let the leader know if you leave before the field trip concludes.
6. Smoking or vaping is not permitted during field trips.
7. Dogs and other pets are not allowed on field trips.
8. If you need to use your cell phone or have a long conversation be considerate of the other members on the trip and step away from the group.