



The Passenger Pigeon

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March Bird Club Events

March Meeting:

“I Need to Check Your Back for an Eyelash Viper” — Or, Things Heard after Crashing through the Jungle to See a Marbled Wood-Quail. Thursday, March 15. 7:00 p.m. Sharon Woods Visitor Center.

Join Bill Hull, local birder, photographer, and creator of the Mangoverde Project (www.mangoverde.com), a website that compiles photographs of birds from around the world, for a talk about a birding trip to Ecuador Bill and some friends took in January, 2006. Bill's talk will focus on trip planning, the sites they visited, the birds and other critters they saw, as well as trip highlights. The presentation will be generously illustrated with photographs. The itinerary that will be discussed is typical of a first or second visit to Ecuador.

Bill Hull is a Senior Technical Consultant at a local software company, UGS, and is actively involved with a local aid group, Shoulder to Shoulder (www.shouldertoshoulder.org)

whose main focus is medical care in rural Honduras. Bill writes “I am particularly interested in birds, butterflies and dragonflies because of their visibility and mobility. I have a belief, which may be naive, that people are more likely to be conservation minded as their knowledge of the natural world increases. The Mangoverde website has been my mechanism to share images of birds taken by myself and others from locations spanning the globe.” Bill has birded in Asia, Australia, Europe, and North and South America. Bill will be available after the meeting for anyone interested in discussing the Mangoverde website project. Bill notes that “this site is one of the largest freely accessible collections of bird photographs.”

March Field Trips:

**Location: Summit Lake
Date: Saturday, March 17, 2007**

**Leader: Jay Stenger
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Jaystenger@cinci.rr.com.**

Meeting Time & Location: 7:30 a.m. Park &

Ride at SR 128 (I-275/ Miamitown exit).

The plan is to caravan to Summit Lake State Park in Henry County Indiana for the morning and on our return to stop at a few places around Brookville Lake. Summit Lake is one of our region's best waterfowl spots, but the open country around the park is also very good for raptors and field and grassland species. On our way back home we will visit some areas around Brookville Lake, which is also a great place to see waterfowl, eagles and numerous other species. Early spring migration will be in full swing so we expect to see lots of waterfowl and a diverse number of other species on this trip including Sandhill Cranes and a few early shorebirds. The Northern Shrike that wintered at Brookville Lake was still present on March fourth. A prize will be given to who ever spots the first St. Patrick's day Green-winged Teal. We will meet at 7:30 am at the Park & Ride lot on SR 128, located at the I-275 Miamitown exit # 7. This trip will continue well into the af-

ternoon so plan accordingly. A full tank of gas, lunch, drinks and warm clothing are essential. Contact Jay if you have any questions.

**Location: Gilmore Ponds: Thursday, March 29, 2007.
Leader: Mike Busam
(513) 259.3262,
MBusam@gmail.com.
Meeting Time & Location: 7:00 p.m.
Symmes Road Parking lot, Gilmore Ponds.**

This will primarily be a trip to look for American Woodcock, but first we'll look around at whatever is there until dusk or so. It looks like Gilmore will be wet this spring, so it could be good for waterfowl and other migrants.

Meet at the Symmes Road parking lot. From I-275, take the Winton Road exit and go north to Route 4. Cross RT 4 and the road becomes Holden Boulevard. Drive past Fairfield HS. When you reach the light at Symmes Road, the parking lot will be directly across from you next to Quality Publishing. Contact Mike if you have any questions.



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