



CINCINNATI BIRD CLUB

# PASSENGER PIGEON

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## MAY MEETING: PICNIC & BIRDING

**Date:** Thursday, May 17.

**Location:** Sharon Woods Visitor Center

**Time:** 6:15 pm

Meet: In the Picnic Area between the Visitor Center and Buckeye Falls Road. See the directions below. Our May meeting will be a bit different this year. We have decided to forgo the normal monthly speaker format for a members picnic and evening bird walk. Make a note that the meeting time is earlier than normal. We will meet at **6:15 PM** in the picnic

grounds located between the Sharon Woods Visitor Center and Buckeye Falls Drive. This is not a potluck so bring your own dinner and drinks, carry out or home-made, whatever suits you. While we picnic, we can share stories, talk birding and enjoy the camaraderie of fellow birders while we eat out in a picturesque setting. Spring migration will still be underway and all of our breeding birds will have returned by this date, so our meal should be pleasantly interrupted by plenty of bird

activity in the surrounding trees. After we have eaten our meal, we will take a leisurely bird walk around the grounds until about dusk, 8:30 PM or so. If it rains we can move our picnic to a shelter (if we can find an unoccupied one) or even inside, as we will still have our normal meeting room available to us if needed. So why not come out and join us for what should be a pleasant and fun evening outdoors? We hope to see you there!

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## FIELD TRIP: BREEDING RESIDENTS OF RED RIVER GORGE

**Location:** Spring Valley & Caesar Creek State Park

**Date:** Saturday, May 19, 2018

**Meet:** Buttermilk Crossing Park and Ride (Across from the TANK garage), near Ft. Mitchell, KY. Close to I75

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Cincinnati Bird Club will lead a trip to Red River Gorge in Kentucky. By this date, breeding residents will be on sight and establishing territory. The park is known for great scenery, hiking and camping. Most of the birds in this location will be the same as can be seen closer to home – Eastern Tow-

hee, Tanagers, hooded, Kentucky, and prairie warblers. Nothing special – right? The trip leaders will choose one or two trails and possibly other locations (and with a lot of luck – considering leaf coverage) we MAY see some notable targets: Worm Eating Warblers and Swainson's Warbler. Swainson's warblers have been sighted in this area of KY – the area is on the extreme north of the breeding range. Although these birds are targets – you all know how this goes – no promises. Some hiking on easy to moderate trails may be required. Depending on success or lack of, we may pick some alternate sights on the return trip to Cincinnati. This early start will put the group on sight to hear morning

calls to help increase our chance of seeing targets. Pack a lunch. We will stop at McDonald's on the way to the gorge but will not exit the park area until our return trip – early afternoon. You should plan for a late return – 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM. It will take 2 hours to reach our birding locations from the Park and Ride. Carpooling will be required from our meeting location.



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**The Cincinnati Bird Club Looks forward to seeing you in the “new” birding year, which begins—at least for us—this September.**

**Enjoy your summer!**

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