

# Oakland Owlets May Hike 2019 along the Clinton River Trail

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The Young Birders' Club partnered with the Clinton River Watershed Council and the Friends of the Clinton River Trail (FCR)T for a bird hike along the trail on May 4<sup>th</sup> in Rochester.

Approximately 30 people attended including seven young birders. Many of the participants were new to Oakland Audubon. Fortunately, two expert birders assisted with the hike. It was a cool spring morning and several other people using the trail. The Friends of the Clinton River Trails are celebrating the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the trail and provided snacks. The group hiked over two miles and many great birds were seen, most notable were the migrating Blue Jays (42) and some early warblers. In total, 39 species were reported to eBird by two field observers.

Thanks for Don Burlett and Phil Bogush for their assistance. Thank you to the Clinton River Watershed Council for providing a meeting place, parking and restroom. This beautiful trail spans 5 communities and is a great place to get some exercise and see nature. Here are the links to find out more about these groups - <http://clintonrivertrail.org/> and <https://www.crowc.org/> Photo credits – Kathleen Dougherty, Jonathan Schechter and the OAS Gallery. The hike checklist is below:

- Canada Goose
- Wood Duck
- Mallard
- Chimney Swift
- Sandhill Crane - flying over
- Ring-billed Gull
- Killdeer
- Great Blue Heron
- Great Egret
- Turkey Vulture
- Belted Kingfisher
- Red-bellied Woodpecker
- Downy Woodpecker
- Northern Flicker
- Blue Jay
- American Crow
- Purple Martin
- Tree Swallow
- Barn Swallow
- Tufted Titmouse
- White-breasted Nuthatch
- Carolina Wren
- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
- Ruby-crowned Kinglet
- American Robin
- Gray Catbird
- European Starling
- American Goldfinch



Group photo – Clinton River Watershed Council



Black-throated Green Warbler

Song Sparrow  
Baltimore Oriole  
Red-winged Blackbird  
Brown-headed Cowbird  
Common Grackle  
Nashville Warbler  
Yellow Warbler  
Yellow-rumped Warbler  
Black-throated Green Warbler  
Northern Cardinal  
House Sparrow



Sandhill Crane flying



Baltimore Oriole

