

Indian Spring Metropark – November 17, 2018

The Young Birders' Club November field trip took place at Indian Springs Metropark. It was a chilly morning with some snow on the ground. A small group of birders met at the Environmental Discovery Center parking lot. The group immediately hit the trail hiking about 2 miles along the Hunter's Ridge Nature Trail which trekked through the Huron Swamp. Birding activity was low, but the group managed to see typical woodland species. After hiking, the group visited the Environmental Discovery Center and was treated to an impromptu look into the classroom to see some of the mounted birds, courtesy of one of the interpreters on duty. We also viewed the underwater exploration area. On the way out of the park, Wild Turkeys appeared wandering on the golf course. A few of us had a chance to see them, but the road was closed to the golf course. Wild Turkeys ignored the closure signs. In addition to the species checklist, a Cooper's Hawk was observed the day before the hike while previewing the logistics of the field trip.

Checklist – November 17, 2018

Canada Goose
Wild Turkey
Mourning Dove
Sandhill Crane
Ring-billed Gull
Red-bellied Woodpecker
Downy Woodpecker
Northern Flicker
Blue Jay
Crow
Black-capped Chickadee
White-breasted Nuthatch
American Goldfinch
Dark-eyed Junco
Northern Cardinal



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