

COA... Bringing Birders Together Statewide

The Connecticut Ornithological Association is the only statewide organization devoted to birds and birding. Founded in 1981, our membership ranges from beginning birders to professional ornithologists. COA is an all volunteer organization with the mission of promoting interest in Connecticut birds, and collecting, preparing and disseminating the best available scientific information on the status of Connecticut birds and their habitats. We work actively toward that goal and in cooperation with other conservation organizations throughout the state.

COA Publications

The Connecticut Warbler

COA's printed quarterly ornithological journal contains scientific articles, field notes, bird count summaries, book reviews, information on birds and birding locations plus the popular bird identification photo quiz.

COA Bulletin

The quarterly e-newsletter features recent birding activities, bird sightings, and announcements of upcoming events, field trips, and articles on birding in Connecticut.

COA Checklist of the Birds of Connecticut

The official state species list, including accidental and extinct species, in a convenient field card format is kept current in accordance with AOS guidelines.

COA Website

<https://www.ctbirding.org/>

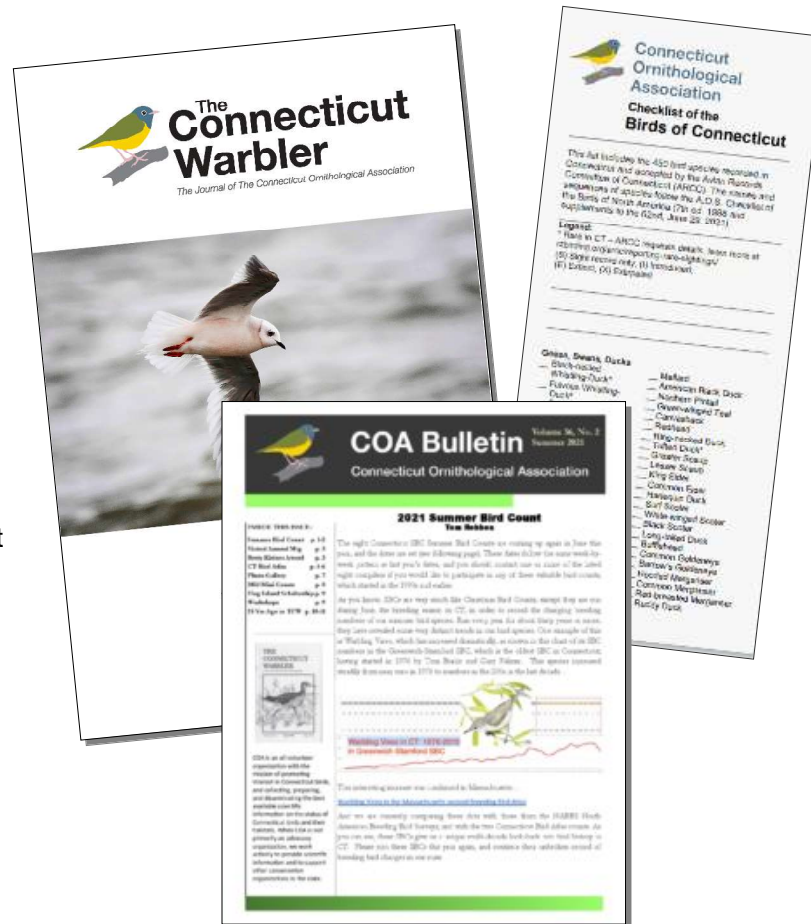
THE place to go for information on birds and birding in Connecticut. The site contains information about birding events, Mini-Grants, photos of rare birds, reporting to the Avian Records Committee, links to sites of interest and much, much more...

E-Mail CTBirds ListServ

One way the COA supports Connecticut birding is by providing an open discussion email listserv, **CTBirds**.

Everyone interested in birds and birding in Connecticut, at every level of experience, is welcome to participate. Subscribers can:

- Share their bird sightings, and see what sightings others are reporting.
- Learn (and ask) about bird identification and where to find birds in the state.
- Discuss and debate issues of interest to Connecticut birders, such as the occurrence, distribution, identification, and ecology of Connecticut birds.



COA Events

Annual Meeting

Once a year, COA brings the state's birding community together to share information and experiences and to present a variety of informative programs on birds and birding in Connecticut and beyond. The program includes awards that recognize outstanding service and contributions to ornithology.

Birding Workshops

Connecticut's birding experts lead online presentations and in-person field trips held at various locations throughout the state. The workshops focus on specific birding skills or the finer points of identifying specific groups of birds such as gulls, shorebirds, warblers and sparrows.

Ongoing Initiatives

Studies and Scientific Efforts

COA sponsors and participates in research studies and conservation efforts that benefit our state and allow for many volunteer opportunities for our members, including the [Connecticut Bird Atlas](#), [Summer Bird Counts](#) and [Christmas Bird Counts](#).

Avian Records Committee of Connecticut

[ARCC](#) maintains the official state bird list of species documented as occurring in the state. The committee reviews and votes on submitted reports of unusual bird sightings to determine their place in the historical ornithological record.

Support

Our [Mini-Grant program](#) helps to fund and support initiatives that specifically benefit the avian wildlife within Connecticut.

The [Zepko Camp Scholarship](#) for young birders nurtures interest in bird study and conservation by funding a week at an Audubon bird camp in Maine.

[Join COA Today!](#)

Improve your knowledge of birds and your enjoyment of Connecticut birding. Support our mission to promote bird conservation, education and science-based research throughout Connecticut.

Benefits

- All COA members receive copies of COA's two quarterly publications, *The Connecticut Warbler* and *COA Bulletin*.
- Members can access exclusive content in the Members Only section of the COA website.
- In addition, your support makes possible the many COA services and activities, such as workshops, the CTBirds listserv, and behind-the-scenes support for birds and habitat throughout the state.

COA membership starts at just \$35 per year (\$15 for students).

The preferred way to join COA is online at

ctbirding.org/join-us

There you will be able to set up your COA account with a password, select a membership category, and securely make a payment.

COA does not release its membership list to other organizations. Contributions and donations are tax deductible as allowed under law. COA is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit organization.
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