

Territory #1

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This territory has been covered by 25-30 invited birders in a morning. Meet at Virginia Kendall Lake parking lot at 7:30 am. This is also an official program for the CVNP and therefore there will be a few walk-ins to join some of the teams (11-13). Some teams will walk, some with drive, and some will mix driving and walking.

The areas covered are as follows:

Camp Butler and Camp Manatoc Boy Scout camps each are covered by a walking team. One starts at Rt 303 by parking at the entrance and walking the camp. The other team parks at Kendall Lake and walks into Manatoc via the close entrance dirt road nearby, not the formal entrance farther away. Maps of the camps are on-line. Scott Caldwell, the properties manager, should be contacted for permission (330-696-2707) by area #1 coordinator ahead of time. He never refused us. Red-breasted Nuthatch, kinglets, juncos

One team walks north on the Summit Co hike/bike from Rt 303 (park at Metropark parking on Rt 303) to just short of Boston Mills Road and back. If energy permits, the team can walk Boston Run trail or parts of it on the way back. Maybe Barred Owl.

Another team walks from Kendall parking lot on trail up to the Octagon Shelter and lower ledges and back. Tough walking. Brown Creeper, Red-breasted Nuthatch

A team parks at the Ledges Shelter off Kendall Park Road and covers the upper ledges, field and the ledges between there and Happy Days Lodge. Winter Wren, Barred Owl

Team walks the Kendall Cross Country trail and half the Kendall Lake trail. Towhees, woodpeckers

Team walks the other half the Kendall Lake trail to and including Salt Run trail and back. This trail can be very icy and is steep. Kinglets

Team with at least two cars available walk the hike/bike trail from Season's Road to Rt 303. Park a car at each end, one at the Metropark on Rt 303 and one in available place at Season's Road. Drive back to where you started. Towhees, hawks

Team walks the hike/bike trail from Hudson Drive to Rt 303/Rt 8. Park a car at each end and drive back or team runs back. Do not cover the pond at O'Brien Cemetery as another team does that. Off trail along bike path is richer in birds. Kinglets, Yellow-rumped Warbler

Another team, birding all the way, drives from Kendall Lake parking lot on Truxell Rd to Akron Peninsula Rd, then up Quick Road, stopping at Pine Hollow, Little Meadow parking lots, on to the nursing home on the left (ducks), and then to Akron Cleveland Rd, turning north to cover the dead end streets and small cemetery off the left of the road and ending at Rt 303.

Another team, if there are enough birders, can park at Armington Pond parking lot and walk the trail up into the field. sparrows

A driving team covers west Hudson, north of Terex and Barlow Rds on the south, Darrow Rd on the east, Boston Mills Rd to the north,

Chittenden on the west. Places to look closely are the Hudson water works on Rt 303, the nursing home across the street, the large marsh on north side of 303, Laurel Lake Nursing home on Boston Mills (ask permission to walk the grounds), Boston Mills Park on Boston Mills Rd, and any other places within the boundaries. Ducks, Bald Eagle, Gulls

Another driving/walking team covers Hudson within the boundaries of Sullivan/McCauley Roads, Hudson Drive (covering O'Brien Cemetery and large pond), to Terex Drive and south of Terex. Pond not to be missed if there is open water. Ducks

East Hudson is bounded by Darrow Rd on the west, Season's Rd on the south, and Ravenna Rd on the north east. Places to bird by foot include Hudson Industrial Park, which includes Little Tykes (large retention Pond for ducks and good drainage ditch behind it for sparrows, feeders at the right angle bend), Barlow Farm Park (especially near RR tracks), Sagamore Soils, Wood Hollow Metropark (good for Kestrel in field), Oak Grove Park, indoor Soccer facility on Stow Rd (marsh and field), drive along Ravenna Rd looking for hawks and kestrel, and end at Colony Park. once a Merlin