

Club Notes

SIXTEEN meetings were held during the year, the average attendance being 23.93, this being the nearest approach to an average of 24 possible, for if *one* member had attended *one* meeting, at which he was marked absent, the average would have been exactly 24. It should be noted that this is the average attendance of members only; if visitors were included the attendance would average over 25. Twenty-four is the highest average the Club has had and was reached in the years 1905, 1906, and 1907.

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The first outing of the Club for the year was taken along the valley of the Crum Creek, Pa. February 22nd, 1915. The day was warm and fair. Two visitors and sixteen members were present and twenty-five species of birds were observed.

The Good Friday outing, April 2nd, 1915, was a walk to Bear Swamp and a visit to Camp Catoxen near Medford, N. J. Eighteen members and visitors participated. Thirty species of birds were observed, among them a host of Red-winged Blackbirds. Fifty thousand was the conservative estimate determined upon by all. The flock which was nearly two miles long, was flying southeast. Later it was suggested that these birds were going south because of the snowstorm, which occurred on the following day, accumulating fourteen inches of snow by 5:00 p. m.

May 30th, 1915 was the date of the third Club outing taken in the vicinity of Rushland, Pa. along the Neshaminy Valley. Two visitors and fifteen members were present. Sixty-four species of birds were observed, including the Upland Plover and

Alder Flycatcher ; and twelve species were found breeding, including the Bobolink.

The following additions have been made to the Club collection of nests and eggs of Pennsylvania and New Jersey birds during the year:

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| Ruffed Grouse | Set of Eggs | R. P. Sharples. |
| Ruffed Grouse | Nest and Eggs | Street & Stuart. |
| Alder Flycatcher | Two nests | Carter & Baily. |
| Cliff Swallow | Set of Eggs | Carter & Stuart. |
| Bobolink | Nest and Eggs | Packer & Stuart. |
| Upland Plover | Set of Eggs | R. P. Sharples. |

The nests or eggs of the following species are still desiderata:

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| Pied-billed Grebe, | Black-billed Cuckoo, |
| Loon, | Yellow-bellied Sapsucker, |
| American Bittern, | Pileated Woodpecker, ¹ |
| Sora Rail, | Red-bellied Woodpecker, |
| Little Black Rail, | Alder Flycatcher, ¹ |
| Coot, | Prairie Horned Lark, |
| Solitary Sandpiper, | Bronzed Grackle, |
| Upland Plover, ² | Pine Finch, |
| Wild Turkey, | Black and White Warbler, ¹ |
| Red-tailed Hawk, | Golden-winged Warbler, |
| Bald Eagle, | Nashville Warbler, |
| Duck Hawk, | Mourning Warbler, |
| Long-eared Owl, ¹ | Mockingbird, |
| Short-eared Owl, | Bewick's Wren, |
| Great Horned Owl, ¹ | Red-bellied Nuthatch, ¹ |
| Barred Owl, | Golden-crowned Kinglet, |
| Saw-whet Owl, | Gnatcatcher. ¹ |

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¹ Only eggs desired.

² Only nest desired.