

PEARSON METROPARK

YOU DRIVE / WE LEAD

8:00 - 11:00 a.m.



Brought to you by Black Swamp Bird Observatory

Northern Parula

Location Information

About

Pearson Metropark is conveniently located right off of Navarre Ave/Route 2 in Oregon, Ohio. This park has a great trail system through forest reminiscent of the original Great Black Swamp, providing nesting habitat for many species as well as stopover habitat for a large number of migrants. The beautifully manicured grounds contain tree species that tend to draw warblers, vireos, orioles, tanagers, and more! It is located farther from the lakefront than most of the other most-visited sites in the area. In the event of north winds, it can be one of the most productive sites in the region. There is a large northern section to the park that has a wetland restoration project that provides a whole different set of birds than the portion visited on this You Drive/We Lead trip.

Accessibility

This You Drive/We Lead trip will spend the duration of the time away from the vehicles. Pearson Metropark trails are wide and flat. The trails most commonly birded on during this You Drive/We Lead are either hard-packed crushed stone or dirt. The parking lots provide good birding as well and are paved. There is a Window on Wildlife that allows birders to sit and enjoy the feeders and bird baths from inside. This is a great spot for many resident and migrant species in a comfortable setting. This is a great option for birding during inclement weather as well.



Rose-breasted Grosbeak



Magnolia Warbler

You Drive / We Lead Information

This is a meet-on-site field trip. You will meet your guide in parking lot 4 of Pearson Metropark. GPS coordinates and a QR code to scan for directions are listed here. Pearson Metropark is a one-way drive through the park. The entrance to the park is on Lallendorf Rd. at the intersection with Navarre Ave. (Route 2). As you drive through the park, parking lot 4 will be the third lot on the right. Once you arrive in the parking lot, look for the Biggest Week in American Birding "Event Site" sign. Field trip leaders will be wearing golden guide caps.



41.6428, -83.4389

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Birding Information

Target Species

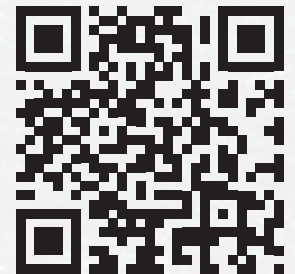
Pearson Metropark's woodland and woodland-edge habitats provide great opportunities for many migrant species this time of year. The group will be in search of migrant warblers, vireos, tanagers, orioles, thrushes, flycatchers, and more. Some particular species that are either less common or lower density that are found here more often than other places include Orchard Oriole, Acadian Flycatcher, and Wood Thrush. Depending on where you're staying, it is a closer location for oak forest species such as Hairy Woodpecker, Pileated Woodpecker, and Tufted Titmouse. The feeders typically hold large numbers of Rose-breasted Grosbeaks and Blue Jays. Depending on the stage of migration, check the feeders for Purple Finches and Red-breasted Nuthatches as well.



Orchard Oriole

eBird Protocol

Your field trip leaders are responsible for eBirding all of The Biggest Week In American Birding field trips. They will be keeping lists during the day for all sites visited. These will become available for participants to add to their eBird accounts. Please be patient as our dedicated festival volunteers sort the checklists that are being submitted and upload them to The Biggest Week In American Birding website. Please allow a few days for this process to take place. You can check the status of your eBird lists by visiting biggestweekinamericanbirding.com and clicking "*Festival Schedule*" in the top menu and selecting "*Field Trips*" and then "*eBird Checklists*" from the dropdown menu. Select the day of your field trip from our menu, and look for the trip you attended. There you will find all of the links to the different eBird lists submitted by your field trip leader.



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Pearson Metropark Hotspot Map



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