

Minutes of the General Meeting of the Kingston Field Naturalists, December 19, 2019, Ongwanada

1. Introductory Remarks.

President Anthony Kaduck called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm and apologized for several technical problems, which had caused the delay. He thanked everybody who worked to fix the blown breaker and download pictures as well as those who had contributed Christmas treats.

2. Review of Minutes of General Meeting, November 20, 2019

The minutes of the November General Meeting are posted on the website. There were no corrections.

Motion

Moved by Janet Elliott, seconded by Garry Hilaby that the minutes be accepted.

Carried

3. Member's Observations

- Steve Manders saw a Snowy Owl on the fence at the Royal Kingston Curling Club last week.
- Rose-Marie Burke had a Common Grackle at her feeder all week.
- Jenny Newton just got back from a trip to Cuba where she added 23 birds to her life list. She was particularly impressed by the Bee Hummingbird and the Flamingos.

4. Upcoming Events

Please check your Newsletter for details of upcoming events. There are many Christmas Bird Counts taking place over the holidays.

More details were announced about the KFN Field Trip to Algonquin Park planned for January 17 – 19. The trip is primarily bird and wildlife oriented but some members are interested in snow-shoeing and cross-country skiing. Some members are only interested in attending for one day while others want to stay for the weekend. If staying overnight, it's important to book your accommodation soon. If bad weather or very deep snow are predicted the trip will be cancelled. Members were advised to send Anthony an email if they plan to attend.

5. Member's Presentations.

Club members gave the following photo presentations :

- Shirley French - Cranberry Lake trail camera
- Dianne Croteau – Cataraqui Bay breakwater
- David Graham – 2019 birds
- Paul Mackenzie – Thailand scenery and birds
- Ken Edwards – Hover Flies
- Gaye Beckwith – Cambodian Birds

- Steve Manders – Sandhill Cranes
- Peter Waycik – Moths
- Chris Grooms – Trail cam videos
- Rose-Marie Burke – Local Critters
- David McMurray – Alberta Wildflowers from Cypress Hills Provincial Park
- Bruce Elliott – Great Bear Mothership Kayaking Tour
- Janet Elliott – Cecropia Moths

Following the presentations, members were encouraged to mingle and enjoy cider and Christmas treats.

The meeting ended at 9:15 pm. There were 57 members in attendance.