

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of  
The Williamsburg Bird Club  
Wednesday, October 21, 2009 – 7:30 p.m.  
Room 150 Millington Hall, W&M

1. The meeting was opened by President Shirley Devan, there were 27 members and guests present.
2. Welcome to new member: Ann Boehm and guests: Jacob Armiger and speaker Allyson Jackson
3. Raffle – free ticket to give away "National Geographic Complete Birds of North America" book donated by Hong Trinh

**Announcements:**

1. Nominating Committee: Alex Minarik, David Lee, Jeanette Navia. At next month's meeting we'll elect the Board for 2010. Current board members that are willing to be nominated again are: Joe Piotrowski, Fred Blystone, Chuck Rend, Chuck Litterst, and Shirley Devan. We need to elect a Secretary and a Member-at-Large for 2010. If you want to serve your Bird Club in one of these positions, contact Jeanette, Alex or David.
2. This Saturday – October 24 Bird Walk at New Quarter Park at 7 am. Leader will be Bill Williams. Meet in parking lot next to office.
3. November field trip will be in York River State Park, Hugh Beard, leader.
4. The VSO Winter Field Trip to VA Beach will be Dec 4-6. This is an opportunity to bird in areas normally closed to the public and usually hard to access.
5. Audubon Christmas Bird Count – Sunday, December 20, Bill Williams, Coordinator. Post count tally will be at Carrot Tree again this year.
6. Migratory activity in area: White-throated Sparrows, Yellow-rumped Warblers, cute story from Cathy Millar regarding hawk and waffles in her yard.
7. Newsletter editor Fred Blystone and the rest of the board are curious about what kinds of things you would like to see in the monthly newsletter. What would you like to see more of? Local sightings? Trip reports from members who travel? Photos? You'll see more about this in the next newsletter. Comment was made that they appreciated local sightings as then they

knew what to look for.

8. Refreshments were provided by Lucille Kossodo and Kathy Klausner.

**Program:** Joe Piotrowski introduced guest speaker: Allyson Jackson, recipient of a WBC grant. She gave an engaging presentation titled "Are Fairways Fair Habitat for Bluebirds? Radio Tracking Fledgling Survival on Golf Courses.

The meeting was closed by the president.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Anne Fennell  
Secretary, Williamsburg Bird Club  
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