

Hampton Roads Bird Club
General Meeting Minutes
Date: Thursday, March 12, 2015

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. ID Challenge: Wilson's Snipe and Blue-winged Teal.
3. EXCOM Member Reports:
 - a. President: Dave announced several upcoming area events:
 - i. Virginia Living Museum's Birding Cup (April 10-11).
 - ii. Suffolk Outdoor Adventure Expo (9 May). Volunteers are being solicited; contact Dave for details if you're interested in helping out.
 - iii. VSO Piney Grove field trip (30 May)
 - iv. VSO is looking for volunteers to give talks. See their Speaker's Directory.
 - b. Field Trip Coordinator: Stuart discussed the upcoming trip to Craney Island (March 21).
 - c. Hospitality: Virginia thanked everyone who provided snacks for the meeting.
 - d. Newsletter Editor: Tom is, as always, looking for book reviewers, event announcements, or general articles for the newsletter.
 - e. There were no reports from the Membership, Treasurer, Website/Publicity committees.
 - f. Open Discussion:
 - a. Guest Speaker: Jessica Ruthenberg provided a very informative presentation on "Creating Habitat at Home for Birds and Other Wildlife." Jessica is the new Watchable Wildlife Biologist for the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. Jessica described how to provide the basic necessities for wildlife—food, water, shelter, and space.
4. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.
5. Next meeting is Thursday, April, 9 at the usual time and place--6:30 PM, Sandy Bottom Park.