

Chapter Annual Report 2010-2011

Questionnaire and Financial Form

Please complete this form and email to chapter_services@audubon.org by November 30, 2011. If you fill out this form, you do **not** need to complete the FY11 forms on the Chapter Reporting System. You may request an extension to the deadline by contacting Chapter Services at 800-542-2748 or chapter_services@audubon.org. You are only able to edit the shaded fields on this form. If you would like to submit additional information, such as a summary of activities for FY11 or an Annual Plan for FY12, please email those items as attachments to chapter_services@audubon.org. Baseline Funding will be sent in the month following receipt of your completed report (starting in September, 2011). More information on the Chapter Annual Report and Baseline Funding may be found at <http://chapterservices.audubon.org/chapter-leader-guide/annual-reporting>.

Date Report Submitted: 09/30/2011

Chapter Name: Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society

Chapter Code: S63

Submitted By **Name:** Tom Romito **Title:** President

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Your Home Phone: 216-741-2352 Your Work Phone: _____ Your Cell Phone: _____

CHAPTER STATUS

1. This report covers a 12 month fiscal year: ☐ July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011 **OR** ☒ Other: 09/1/2010 – 08/31/2011

2. Mark only if your federal tax-exempt status **changed** in the last year. ☐

3. Does the Chapter offer a Chapter membership separate from NAS membership? ☒ Yes OR ☐ No

4. If “Yes,” please estimate the current number of separate Chapter members: 100 (# members)

5. If the Chapter has one or more paid staff, please indicate how many:
_____ # Full Time _____ # Part Time _____ # Consultants

CHAPTER ACTIVITY METRICS

6. How many volunteers helped with at least one Chapter activity over the year (inc. the board)? 45 (# volunteers)

7. In total, how many hours did your volunteers provide? 100 (# hours)

8. How many field trips did the Chapter conduct last year? 13 (# field trips)

9. In total, how many people attended field trips over the year? 240 (total # attendees)

10. Excluding field trips, how many programs or classes for adults or families were offered last year? 10 (# programs)

11. In total, how many people attended programs or classes over the year? 360 (total # attendees)

12. How many newsletter issues in print did the Chapter publish last year? 4 (# print issues)

13. How many electronic newsletter issues did the Chapter publish last year? 4 (# e-issues)

14. Please note the number of educational programs your Chapter offered:

Audubon Adventures classroom kits: 10 (# AA kits)

In-school visits: _____ (# classroom/school visits)

Field trips for school classes: _____ (# field trips)

Junior Audubon Club or after-school sessions: _____ (# after-school sessions)

Teacher training activities/programs: _____ (# trainings)

Scholarships to a nature camp: _____ (# scholarships)

Activities at a Center operated by the National Audubon Society: _____ (# NAS Center activities)

Activities at a Center operated by your Chapter: _____ (# Chapter Center activities)

Activities at an Education Center operated by an organization *other than* NAS or your Chapter: 3 (# other Center activities)

15. In total, many youth were reached through the educational programs in question 14? 400 (total # youth)

16. If you know the number of Title 1 or underserved youth reached, please indicate: _____ (total # youth)

ADDITIONAL CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

17. Did the Chapter offer any Birding/Bird Identification classes last year: ☐ Yes OR ☒ No

18. Did the Chapter offer programs on helping birds and wildlife in backyards, neighborhoods, schoolyards or communities?

- ☐ Demonstration sites (rain gardens, landscaping with native plants, butterfly gardens, etc.)
- ☐ Workshops or presentations for homeowners, landscapers, educators, or others
- ☐ Development of print or online materials about how to help conserve birds and wildlife at home and/or in your community
- ☐ Backyard habitat certification
- ☐ Community Lights Out program
- ☒ Nest box program or swift tower
- Other _____

19. Check all citizen science or outreach programs that the Chapter sponsored or participated in:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christmas Bird Count | <input type="checkbox"/> Water or Energy Festival |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Great Backyard Bird Count | <input type="checkbox"/> JJ Audubon's Birthday Event |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bioblitz or Biodiversity Inventory | <input type="checkbox"/> International Migratory Bird Day |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Birding Festival | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

20. Did your Chapter receive, purchase, or begin leasing or managing land in the past year?
(please check "Yes" only if this land ownership/management is **new** as of last year)

☐ Yes OR ☒ No

21. If your Chapter was involved in activities at an Important Bird Area, please note the Important Bird Area name(s)
Rocky River Important Bird Area

22. Did the Chapter take part in any of the following activities at an Important Bird Area?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted an Important Bird Area | <input type="checkbox"/> Lobbied for protection |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Monitored birds or other species | <input type="checkbox"/> Created educational signs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monitored potential threats | <input type="checkbox"/> Conducted educational events or activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Restored habitat | <input type="checkbox"/> Supported an international initiative or international Important Bird Area |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Participated in or ran a Friends/Support group | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Managed a nest box trail | |

23. Please indicate the approximate total number of people participating in the Important Bird Area related activities above 20

24. If your Chapter worked on a site other than an IBA (e.g., public park or national/state/local refuge), please list the site name(s) Cleveland Metroparks Zoo

25. If the Chapter works with/supports a Center operated by the National Audubon Society, please note Center name(s):

26. If the Chapter works with/supports an education Center run by your chapter, please note Center name(s): _____

27. If the Chapter works with/supports an education Center run by an organization *other than* NAS or your chapter, please note Center name(s): Cleveland Metroparks Zoo

28. If your Chapter participated in a **project** outside the US, please indicate the country(ies) _____ AND nearest city(ies) _____

29. If your Chapter sponsored a **tour** outside the US, please indicate the country(ies) _____ AND nearest city(ies) _____

30. Did the Chapter engage in any of the following fundraising activities? (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Seed Sale | <input type="checkbox"/> Audubon Collaborative Funding | <input type="checkbox"/> Sale of birding related items |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Birdathon | <input type="checkbox"/> TogetherGreen Grant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Coffee sale,</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual Appeal | <input type="checkbox"/> Other grant applications | <u>UltraBird, UltraWalk, Auction</u> |

31. Did your Chapter participate in a State Council Meeting or Assembly last year? ☐ Yes OR ☒ No

32. Does the Chapter maintain a phone tree or email network for policy issues? ☐ Yes OR ☒ No

33. Please note two top local policy issues on which the Chapter took action:

- 1) _____
- 2) _____

34. Please note two top state policy issues on which the Chapter took action:

- 1) Conservation of fresh water in Great Lakes
- 2) _____

35. Did the Chapter write newsletter articles, contribute Letters to the Editor, meeting with elected officials or otherwise engage in any of the following policy issues? (please check all that apply)

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|---|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Global Warming | <input type="checkbox"/> Endangered Species | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Ecosystem |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wind Power/Energy | <input type="checkbox"/> Farm Bill | Restoration (e.g., Mississippi |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oil/Gas Energy Development | <input type="checkbox"/> International Family Planning | River, Long Island Sound, |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Growth Management | <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska Land Protection | Everglades) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bird Conservation/Funding | <input type="checkbox"/> Clean Water Act/Wetlands | <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal protection |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Invasive Species | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Lake Erie</u> |

36. Regarding the 2010 BP Deepwater Horizon Gulf Oil Spill, did your Chapter take any of the following actions?

- ☒ Forwarded Audubon Action Alerts to members concerning recovery efforts
- ☐ Directed people to donate to Audubon's Response and Recovery effort
- ☐ Directed people to sign up to volunteer for Audubon's Response and Recovery effort
 - Did Audubon contact you in an effort to place volunteers with your Chapter? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 - If "yes" to the above, were you able to use those volunteers for a Chapter project or activity? Please describe the project/activity briefly: _____
 - If you undertook other projects or activities to raise awareness or help mitigate the effects of the oil spill, please describe briefly: _____

37. Does the Chapter have a social networking page?

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facebook | <input type="checkbox"/> Photo Sharing Website (e.g., Flickr, Picasa, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Twitter | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blog | |

SUMMARY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND GOALS

Briefly list up to two of the Chapter's top accomplishments. Please indicate the appropriate category and include a title, brief description, contact person's name and email (if different from report submitter's info). We will follow up with you for additional details and photos of your success story. If you have photographs to include with your stories, please send them to chapter_services@audubon.org along with copies of the applicable, signed photographer and model release forms (<http://chapterservices.audubon.org/chapter-leader-guide/promote-your-chapters-successes>).

38. Title of Accomplishment 1: Important Bird Area survey

Category:

- ☐ Education
- ☒ Citizen Science
- ☐ Policy/Advocacy
- ☐ Land Management
- ☐ Other _____

Description: We surveyed an area that Cleveland Metroparks is targeting for wetlands development.

Contact Name: Tom Romito Contact Email: tomromito@ameritech.net

39. Title of Accomplishment 2: Bird Nest Box Trail

Category:

- ☒ Education
- ☐ Citizen Science
- ☐ Policy/Advocacy
- ☐ Land Management
- ☐ Other _____

Description: WCAS set up a bird nest box trail at Cleveland Metroparks Zoo in conjunction with Boy Scouts

Contact Name: Tom Romito Contact Email: tomromito@ameritech.net

40. Briefly list up to three of the Chapter's top goals in the coming year's annual plan:

1. We will survey impact of Emerald Ash Bohrer on nesting woodpeckers in Rocky River IBA.
2. We will publish a report on our five-year IBA survey (2006-2010).
3. _____

41. If your State Office, Chapter Services Office or another national Audubon program has helped your Chapter in the past year, please describe.

42. How could the State Office and program, your nearest Center, the Chapter Services Office and/or national headquarters and programs help you achieve your major goal(s) in the coming year?

43. Are there activities or issues mentioned in this questionnaire about which you would like more information?

44. We would appreciate hearing any suggestions you have for improving the annual report form next year:

FINANCIAL REPORT

Chapter Name: Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society

Chapter Code S63

Name of person reporting (if different from individual noted above) _____

Email address _____

This report covers a 12 month fiscal year: ☐ July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011 **OR** ☒ Other: September 1, 2010 to August 31, 2011 - _____

Annual Operating Revenue and Expense* as of the end of the fiscal year

Total Operating Revenue \$ 9413

Total Operating Expense \$ 6147

Net Revenue (or Deficit) in Operating Funds \$ 3266

Chapter Funds

Total of all Chapter funds (Funds Balance)

(e.g. all funds held by the chapter including checking account, savings account, endowment account, CD's, stocks and other investment account; does not include the value of land or buildings)

End of Fiscal Year \$ 11423

Portion of funds balance that was restricted or reserved for a specific use

(e.g. funds that are not freely available, but whose use is limited to a specific program or project; includes grants for specific activities, board or donor restricted funds, endowment accounts)

End of Fiscal Year \$ 0

Please note **annual grant funding received from non-Audubon source(s)** \$ 0

(do not include Together Green or collaborative funding)

Please note **annual revenue received for separate Chapter memberships** \$ 0

(do not include Audubon baseline or membership incentive funds)

Comments: _____

*Definitions:

Annual Operating Revenue includes all cash earned or raised to cover the costs of running the chapter.

Annual Operating Expense includes all costs incurred to operate and maintain the chapter.