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The statewide **Bird Club** for everyone who enjoys watching birds



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is the largest statewide bird club in Minnesota. The MOU welcomes everyone with an interest in wild birds.

1,400 members include amateur birders and professionals alike.

Some facts about birds in Minnesota

Almost two million Minnesota residents like to watch birds. Our state is a good place for this because of its unique geography. Here, western prairies meet boreal forests and southeastern river-valley ecology. This habitat diversity makes Minnesota an attractive place to many species of bird.

431 species of birds have been seen in the state, and of these, 313 are found here every year. About 235 species nest in Minnesota.

Our northern and east-central forest region is considered by leading ornithologists to be one of only four remaining areas in the United States where the longterm conservation of forest birds can be accomplished. The MOU is active in this conservation effort.

MOU on the Internet

On the Internet, take a look at the MOU's web site. It contains information about Minnesota birds and the MOU.

Web Site: http://moumn.org E-mail: mou@moumn.org

- The MOU helps members find, attract, and identify birds.
- The MOU promotes the study of bird life and the preservation of birds and their natural habitat.
- The MOU co-sponsors many popular field trips to excellent birding areas within the state and in other parts of the country.
- The MOU participates in three major birding events each year: The April Salt Lake Birding Weekend in Lac Qui Parle County, Hawk Ridge Weekend in Duluth in September, and an annual one-day Minnesota birding conference held in December at the James Ford Bell Museum at the University of Minnesota.
- The MOU maintains the official state bird records file and checklist.
- The MOU publishes a quarterly journal, *The Loon*, and a bimonthly magazine, *Minnesota Birding*. These two publications keep MOU members well-informed on everything from identification and feeding tips to state bird population trends.

MOU Supported Hot Lines

Current information on birds being seen in Minnesota is available on the MOU hot lines, which are updated weekly:

Statewide 763-780-8890 — 800-757-3700 Duluth 218-834-2858

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