

## Links to MD and DC Birding Discussion Groups

<a href="#"><u>Go to MDBirding</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Go to Archives (2004 and later) of MDOsprey</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Go to MD Birding group on Facebook</u></a>
<p><b>Maryland &amp; DC Birding list ("MDBirding" for short)</b></p>	<p><b>Archives of the MDOsprey Discussion List</b></p>	<p><b>MDBirding@groups.facebook.com</b></p>
<p>On June 7th, 2012 after the much beloved MDOsprey was shut down, a new discussion group, titled "Maryland &amp; DC Birding" (or "MDBirding" for short) was established. It will fill much of the same role as MDOsprey, in that it can be used to discuss a variety of topics related to both birds and birding in MD and DC. Also, like MDOsprey, MDBirding is NOT AFFILIATED WITH NOR ENDORSED BY THE MARYLAND ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY (MOS). The new discussion group uses the Google Groups platform, which can function just like the familiar Listserv, but has a few additional perks as well. Users can sign up with their existing e-mail address and send messages to the group either over e-mail, the web, or both. And by switching to Google Groups, we can now have an unlimited number of participants, as well as posts with photo attachments when appropriate. Behind the scenes, Google Groups has a few additional benefits, such as a built-in spam filter, which can help keep us all safe from e-mail attacks. The menu at the top of the <b>Info</b> page has all of the information you need to get started. You'll find both instructions on how to sign up and the list of best-posting guidelines.</p>	<p>MDOsprey had been, for many, many years (since the early 2000s) the main discussion list dedicated to the birds, bird habitat conservation, and birding in the State of Maryland and in the District of Columbia. MDOsprey wound down operations at the beginning of June 2012, but tons of valuable birding info can still be found and accessed through its archives. The listowners are Norm &amp; Fran Saunders. MDOsprey is NOT AFFILIATED WITH NOR ENDORSED BY THE MARYLAND ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY (MOS).</p> <p>CAUTION: The fact that this link is provided does not mean that these archives will necessarily be available. Since they are currently unsupported, they may disappear at any time.</p>	<p>The MD Birding group on Facebook was created so that bird enthusiasts of ALL skill levels and interests might share sightings, photos, sketches, videos, sound recordings, stories, historical sightings and any random bird-related thoughts that just don't fit into an email listserv. MD Birding group on Facebook is NOT AFFILIATED WITH NOR ENDORSED BY THE MARYLAND ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY (MOS).</p> <p>Do not be rude, no fighting, do not steal others' content, and follow the golden rule: do unto others... (you know the rest).</p> <p>Most of all, please share your wisdom, bird-related new stories and, of course, your sightings. There is a great deal of wisdom in the Maryland birding community, from how to properly ID a bird, to where you should set yourself up at sunrise on May 12th to best your odds and finding a particular bird!</p> <p>Let's all make this group an asset, a resource for all the birding community to enjoy. Thanks.</p>