

# Chequamegon Chirps



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This is a news note, not a newsletter. I just found out about noon that my angel who organizes and prints the Chirps is going to be out of the office by three this afternoon and the next ten days, so it is this or nothing. Will try again next month.

The song bird field trip on May 22 had a dozen participants with a nice variety of species to enjoy. Among the nearly 40 identified species included warblers, sparrows, black-billed cuckoo and flyover by a red-shouldered hawk. (Will try to have a complete list next month.)

Speaking of next month, we've run into many conflicts with scheduling a picnic meeting for June. Sometimes to resolve a situation, it is most practical to put it off—at least for a while. Therefore: our next meeting will be in July. This could be a picnic and outdoor session that will include bird identification with demonstrations on how members use their most reliable and favorite methods and equipment for doing IDs. There are many tales of member experiences that have had memorable results. Those will range from spectacular, satisfying, enlightening and downright embarrassing. I've got several contributions for that last category. This is a topic that will lend itself to contributions by whomever is at the session.

The July newsletter will hopefully be more than an apology and excuse. In the meantime there are birding opportunities galore as this year's season rapidly moves along. Enjoy the beautiful weather that summer can provide and with luck and persistence, you get to enjoy great and enriching birding, hopefully with the companionship of friends and family.

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## **June and July events**

June 14 strawberry and July 13 buck full moons.

Day length at maximum. Summer solstice June 21.

Adults using longest daylight to endlessly feed their hatched offspring.

Earliest migrants will start to wander south within weeks.

Opportunities abound to observe adults caring for their young in their nests and recently fledged babies.