



The Christmas Bird Count

Greetings Compilers,

Welcome to the 119th Christmas Bird Count season—we hope this message finds you well!

The 119th Christmas Bird Count data entry application is now open for you to enter your upcoming dates, to check the information displayed to the public about your count, to access blank field forms, and to have a look at your compiler and participant lists.

We are excited to release a new tool for compilers to manage their circles. ESRI, the leader in geographic information system (GIS) software and a partner of Audubon's, developed this online mapping tool which allows you to create and edit sectors in your circle and share this information with party leaders and participants. Your regular CBC “username” (the email address you use to log into the CBC system) allows access to your count’s maps. Many thanks to the compilers who helped during the two rounds of testing. You can access the tool here:

<https://gis.audubon.org/CBCCompilerSectors>

Please refer to instructions in the map tool to learn the steps involved in plotting your sectors.

The checklists that will be presented for your data entry during the 119th CBC are the same version as on the website last year. Thus you will not see the scrub-jay split, the Red and Cassia crossbill split, and you will still find Thayer’s Gull on the checklist. When the checklists are updated in the future all of these changes will be made retroactively and you won’t need to do any manual management of your CBC records.

Your existing login information—your username and password from last year—will continue to work for you when you log in. You also have the ability to manage your own contact information in the “My Profile” section under your login name in the menu at the top of the screen; this is where you should

update your email address if it has changed. Please note: if you change your e-mail address, this (your full e-mail address) will then become you NEW username for your CBC account.

REMINDER: you need to enter the date of your count for the 119th CBC before you can access the rest of the online data entry application.

The Christmas Bird Count login page can be accessed either of these ways:

Direct link: <http://netapp.audubon.org/aap/application/cbc>

Or go to www.christmasbirdcount.org, scroll down and click on the tile that says "For Compilers Enter your CBC data here".

Compiler's web page with everything you need to run your count: www.christmasbirdcount.org/compilers (this webpage can also be accessed by going to www.christmasbirdcount.org, scrolling down and clicking on "Christmas Bird Count Compiler Resources")

Please feel free to contact us with questions at cbcadmin@audubon.org

Cheers and Happy Birding!
Christmas Bird Count Program Staff

Please support a great tradition by donating to the CBC:
www.audubon.org/GiveCBC

You are receiving this message because you are registered in the CBC system as a compiler--if you do not wish to receive these updates about the online CBC--please reply to this email with **remove** in the subject line.