

## Contact information

Team contact/captain \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Would you like a Team Mentor? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan to raise money? \_\_\_\_\_

Are any team members interested in the  
YBC T-shirt Art contest? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Due 3/9/15)

Is this your entire team's first time  
participating in the YBC? \_\_\_\_\_

Will your team stay Saturday night  
(4/25/15) at CEWC? \_\_\_\_\_  
(\$16/person – 4 per room)

Chaperone # and gender of those needing  
lodging? \_\_\_\_\_

Will your team want breakfast? \_\_\_\_\_

Will your team want box lunches? \_\_\_\_\_  
(All Sunday meals are free of charge.)

How many adults will come to the  
banquet? \_\_\_\_\_  
(2 free per team; each additional adult costs \$16)

**Total Amount Due \$** \_\_\_\_\_

## Registrants will receive a packet with:

Event rules, state bird checklist, guide to  
soliciting pledges, guide to birding  
Georgia, team mentor and training  
information, waiver form, ABA birding  
code of ethics, YBC T-shirt Art Contest  
information.

**Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center** is  
located southeast of Covington, Ga.,  
about an hour east of Atlanta.

From Atlanta, take I-20 east to exit 98.  
Drive south (right turn) on Ga. Highway 11  
for about 12 miles, through the town of  
Mansfield. Turn left on Marben Farms  
Road at the large stone sign for the wildlife  
center. Turn right on Elliott Trail and  
follow signs to the **Charlie Elliott  
Conference Center Banquet Hall**. *Lodge  
Room check-in begins at 3 p.m. Saturday in  
meeting room. Check-out is 10 a.m. Sunday.*

The Environmental Resources Network Inc.  
(T.E.R.N.) is the primary sponsor of this event.



Sponsors also include the Atlanta Audubon  
Society and the Georgia Ornithological Society.

Please address questions to:

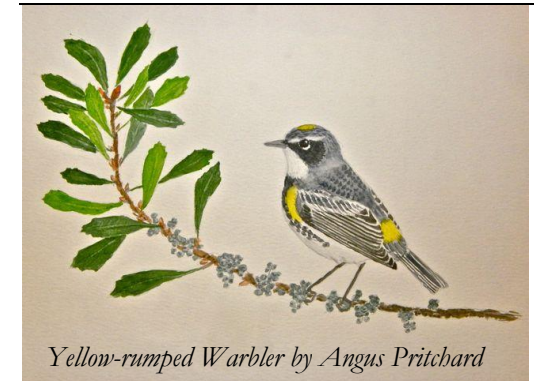
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# 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL YOUTH BIRDING COMPETITION

## CHARLIE ELLIOTT WILDLIFE CENTER APRIL 25-26, 2015



*Yellow-rumped Warbler by Angus Pritchard*



**WILDLIFE RESOURCES DIVISION**

## WHAT IS THE YOUTH BIRDING COMPETITION?

A 24-hour birding competition in which teams (representing your school, scout troop, 4-H club, science club, etc. ...) compete with other teams their age to count as many species of birds as they can in Georgia. Start Saturday evening finding owls and other nocturnal species, go birding Sunday until 5 p.m., and attend an Awards Banquet and Live Animal Show at Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center afterward. You can go birding at the wildlife center or travel the state; just get to the finish line by 5 p.m. Sunday with your bird checklist!

## WHO CAN COMPETE?

Anyone from K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade can form teams within four age divisions: primary (K-2<sup>nd</sup>), elementary (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade), middle (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade) and high school (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade).

## DO I NEED TO BE AN EXPERT?

**No!** We will do our best to link your team with an experienced mentor who can meet with you to help hone your bird identification skills before the event. We will also offer several training days throughout the winter and spring to help you prepare for the big event.

## WHO DOES IT BENEFIT?

Your team can raise money for your favorite DNR Nongame project or other conservation organization. Registration packets will include funding tips and a list of projects and organizations you may want to support.

## FREE

- ♦ Fun and educational day outside!
- ♦ Awards
- ♦ Live wildlife show
- ♦ T-shirt
- ♦ Breakfast & lunch (*if you are in the vicinity of Charlie Elliott Wildlife Center*)

## WIN PRIZES – by age division

- ♦ Most birds seen
- ♦ Most money raised
- ♦ Best rookie team
- ♦ YBC T-shirt Art contest prizes

## OPTIONAL EXTRAS

- \$16/person to stay overnight – based on full room occupancy
- \$16/person extra banquet tickets
- *Please make checks out to: Charlie Elliott Conference Center*

*Send registration to:*

Tim Keyes  
One Conservation Way  
Brunswick GA 31520

*For lodging reservations & payment,  
call Amy Glass (770)-784-3122.*

Register early to take advantage of the mentor and other training programs! **Registration deadline is March 31, 2015. No lodging changes or refunds after April 3, 2015.**

## REGISTER NOW:

Team Name (*Be creative!*)

Team Members

1. \_\_\_\_\_ M/F

Age \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ M/F

Age \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ M/F

Age \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_ M/F

Age \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_ M/F

Age \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

*(Teams can consist of 2-5 people.)*

**AGE DIVISION** (circle one). If mixed ages, select division of oldest participant.

Div. A – Primary School (K-2nd grade)

Div. B – Elem. School (grades 3-5)

Div. C – Middle School (grades 6-8)

Div. D – High School (grades 9-12)