



# Friendly, fun, and Informative Bird Watching

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## Annual Dues for 2024

Membership dues are for the calendar year January 1 through December 31. Beginning January 1, 2024, membership will be increased for Singles to \$25, and for couples \$40. If you pay prior to January 1, you may join as the current rate of \$20 for Single and \$35 for couple. As we have not increased our dues in almost a decade, this minimal increase was determined by the Board as reasonable considering inflation over the past several years.

You can send a check, payable to Southern Ocean Birding Group, to: SOBG, c/o Jeanine Apgar, 206 N. Frankfurt Ave, Egg Harbor City, NJ 08215. Online Paypal is available for renewals, new memberships, and donations on **our website:** [southernoceanbirdinggroup.org](http://southernoceanbirdinggroup.org).

## Field Trips:

October 21—Cape May Hotspots

November 18—Sandy Hook

December 16—Tuckerton CBC

## SOBG Bylaws Revised

At the October 5 meeting, a brief discussion will be conducted to inform the membership of the revisions to the SOBG Bylaws that are being proposed by the Bylaws Committee. After the meeting, the revised Bylaws will be sent via email to all active members for a vote to adopt them with the vote announced at the November meeting.



## October 5th Meeting

The SOBG October 5th meeting will be a trip to

**Patagonia** presented by David and Carol Yorkanis. Carol and Dave will describe their travels to Patagonia, featuring plenty of photos from this exotic landscape. On their 11-day trip to Santiago, Chile's lake district, and Patagonia, Dave and Carol photographed street art, amazing scenery, pumas, guanacos, and as many birds as they could find. They will present their photos at the October SOBG meeting.

We'll see you at the meeting October 5 at 7PM in the **Lacey Library at 10 East Lacey Road in Forked River.** The meeting starts at 7PM, but doors open by 6:30.

## Tuckerton Christmas Bird Count

Keep the date December 16 free on your calendars for our annual Tuckerton Christmas Bird Count. Details will be announced during November for sign-ups.

## New Newsletter Editor Needed

**The SOBG** needs a new newsletter editor as Sue Puder is moving out of state. If you are interested in taking over, see Sue at the October meeting. Bring your secret author skills out into the open.



**Friends in Southern Ocean Birding Group (group)**