Samish Flats

August 20, 2013

This is always a good winter birding area, but what do you expect in the middle of August. What a surprise. We had Whimbrels, Dowitchers and sandpipers. Orioles and tanagers were found on a walk through the woods.

59 species (approx. qty.)

Attendees: Phil, Virginia, Reg, Rex, Wilma, Margaret P., Rick, Susan, Gerri, Art, Doug, Gary and Jim

CHECKLIST:

WATERFOWL: Canada Goose (35), Gadwall (3), Mallard (26)

LOONS, GREBES: Common Loon (1)

PELICANS, HERONS, IBIS: Double-crested (12), Great Blue Heron (1)

VULTURE: Turkey Vulture (1)

RAPTORS: Bald Eagle (1), Northern Harrier (4), Cooper's Hawk (2), Red-tailed Hawk (6)

RAILS, CRANES: Virginia Rail (1)

SHOREBIRDS: Killdeer (26), Spotted Sandpiper (1), Greater Yellowlegs (1), Whimbrel (2), Western Sandpiper (4), Least Sandpiper (10), Pectoral Sandpiper (10), Short-billed Dowitcher (7)

GULLS: Ring-billed (200), Glaucous-winged (50)

TERNS, JEAGERS: Caspian Tern (3)

ALCIDS: Pigeon Guillemot (1)

DOVES, PIGEONS: Rock Pigeon (2), Eurasian Collared-Dove (6), Mourning Dove (1)

NIGHTHAWKS, SWIFTS: Vaux's (4)

HUMMINGBIRDS: Anna's (1), Rufous (1)

KINGFISHER: Belted Kingfisher (1)

WOODPECKERS: Northern Flicker (1)

FLYCATCHERS: Western Wood-Pewee (1), Willow Flycatcher (1)

CORVIDS: American Crow (2), Common Raven (28)

LARKS, SWALLOWS: Violet-green Swallow (2), Cliff Swallow (6), Barn Swallow (29)

CHICKADEES, BUSHTIT: Black-capped (9), Chestnut-backed (6)

NUTHATCHES, CREEPER: Red-breasted (2)

WRENS: Bewick's (1)

KINGLETS: Golden-crowned (1)

THRUSHES: American Robin (3)

STARLING: European Starling (50)

WAXWINGS: Cedar (8)

LONGSPURS, WARBLERS: Wilson's (2)

SPARROW, TANAGERS: Spotted Towhee (1), Savannah Sparrow (13), Song Sparrow (1), Western Tanager (1), Black-headed Grosbeak (1)

BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES: Red-winged Blackbird (27), Brown-headed Cowbird (4), Bullock's Oriole (1)

FINCHES, WEAVER FINCH: Purple Finch (3), American Goldfinch (40), House Sparrow (3)