

Arlington Area and Virginia's Picnic

July 23, 2019

We had another bittern fly up in a marsh area. That makes two weeks in a row of a bittern sighting. Frank heard an Eastern Kingbird and we looked and looked for it and then when a birder was looking for the spotted Willow Flycatcher, she found the Eastern Kingbird instead. The highlight of the day was lunch at Virginia's with the variety of pies to select from. She made about 15 pies and some of us tried them all.

48 species (approx. qty.)

Attendees: Rick, Karen, Sue, Terri, Frank, Bev, Melinda, Ken, Virginia, Jim, Amy Phil, John, Wilma, Rex, Art, Laura, Val, Derek, Allen, Pam, Janelle, Nancy and Craig

CHECKLIST:

WATERFOWL: Gadwall (1)

PELICANS, HERONS, IBIS: American Bittern (1)

VULTURE: Turkey Vulture (5)

RAPTORS: Bald Eagle (1), Cooper's Hawk (1), Red-tailed Hawk (1), American Kestrel (1)

RAILS, CRANES: Virginia Rail (1)

DOVES, PIGEONS: Eurasian Collared-Dove (1), Mourning Dove (4)

HUMMINGBIRDS: Anna's (3), Rufous (1)

WOODPECKERS: Downy Woodpecker (1), Hairy Woodpecker (1), Northern Flicker (3), Pileated Woodpecker (3)

FLYCATCHERS: Western Wood-Pewee (1), Willow Flycatcher (5), Hammond's Flycatcher (1), Eastern Kingbird (1)

VIREOS: Warbling (1)

CORVIDS: Steller's Jay (4), American Crow (1), Common Raven (1)

LARKS, SWALLOWS: Tree Swallow (7), Cliff Swallow (5), Barn Swallow (10)

CHICKADEES, BUSHTIT: Black-capped (1), Chestnut-backed (2), Bushtit (2)

NUTHATCHES, CREEPER: Red-breasted Nuthatch (2)

WRENS: Bewick's (1)

THRUSHES: Swainson's Thrush (4), American Robin (7)

WAXWINGS: Cedar (16)

LONGSPURS, WARBLERS: Common Yellowthroat (7), Yellow (2), Wilson's (1)

SPARROW, TANAGERS: Spotted Towhee (5), Song Sparrow (6), White-crowned Sparrow (1), Dark-eyed Junco (1), Western Tanager (1), Black-headed Grosbeak (7)

BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES: Red-winged Blackbird (1), Brown-headed Cowbird (1)

FINCHES, WEAVER FINCH: Purple Finch (4), House Finch (7), Pine Siskin (8), American Goldfinch (11), House Sparrow (2)