

## **Blaine/Semiahmoo**

November 29, 2022

Brrr! Our morning at Blaine Marine Park began with temperatures in the mid-20s, but winds were calm and thousands of ducks huddled along the near shoreline: Northern Pintail, American Wigeon, Common Goldeneye, Barrow's Goldeneye, Mallard, and a lone Snow Goose. Further out were Surf Scoter, White-winged Scoter, Common Loon, and Red-breasted Merganser, Dunlin, Black Turnstone, and a Long-tailed Duck stayed close to the jetties. At Semiahmoo, we spied Harlequin Duck, Red-throated Loon, and Black Oystercatcher. We warmed up during lunch at Wilma Bayes' cabin, but then it began snowing and even we diehard birders headed home.

58 species (approx. qty.)

**Attendees:** Wilma, Graham, Barry, Phil, Mary, Merilee, Dianna, Ed, Rick, Bruce, Ken, Karen, Pam T. Ginger, David

### **CHECKLIST:**

**WATERFOWL:** Snow Goose (1), Brant (350), Canada Goose (129), Trumpeter Swan (3), Gadwall (2), Eurasian Wigeon (1), American Wigeon (1250), Mallard (285), Northern Shoveler (11), Northern Pintail (3000), Green-winged Teal (5)5, Greater Scaup (165), Harlequin Duck (9), Surf Scoter (400), White-winged Scoter (120), Long-tailed Duck (1), Bufflehead (44), Common Goldeneye (21), Barrow's Goldeneye (3), Hooded Merganser (8), Red-breasted Merganser (12), Ruddy Duck (6)

**LOONS, GREBES:** Red-throated Loon (1), Common Loon (5), Horned Grebe (2), Red-necked Grebe (1), Western Grebe (21)

**PELICANS, HERONS, IBIS:** Brandt's Cormorant (1), Double-crested Cormorant (17), Pelagic Cormorant (26), Great Blue Heron (5)

**RAPTORS:** Bald Eagle (2), Cooper's Hawk (1), Red-tailed Hawk (1)

**SHOREBIRDS:** Black-bellied Plover (1), Killdeer (6), Black Oystercatcher (10), Greater Yellowlegs (1), Black Turnstone (54), Dunlin (800)

**GULLS, TERNS:** Short-billed Gull (1), Glaucous-winged Gull (55)

**DOVES, PIGEONS:** Rock Pigeon (3)

**HUMMINGBIRDS:** Anna's Hummingbird (1)

**KINGFISHERS:** Belted Kingfisher (2)

**WOODPECKERS:** Northern Flicker (3)

CORVIDS: American Crow (8), Common Raven (3)

CHICKADEES, BUSHTIT: Black-capped Chickadee { 1)

KINGLETS: Golden-crowned Kinglet (1), Ruby-crowned Kinglet (1)

THRUSHES: American Robin (4)

MIMIDS, STARLINGS: European Starling (4)

LONGSPURS, SPARROWS: Spotted Towhee (2), Song Sparrow (1), White-crowned Sparrow (6), Golden-crowned Sparrow (9)

FINCHES, WEAVER FINCH: House Sparrow (1)