

Kiket Island

March 29, 2022

There were loads of waterfowl to be seen at Kiket Island, Similk Beach and March Point under cloudy and partly sunny skies. They included 1000+ Brants, a single raft of 300+ Buffleheads, Long-tailed Ducks, White-winged Scoters, three loon species and a number of Red-breasted Mergansers. At Similk Beach, we watched at least 20 Wilson's Snipe fluttering among the cattails. Rough-legged Hawk, Black Oystercatcher, Orange-crowned Warbler, Purple Finch and Rufous Hummingbird were other nice finds.

68 species (approx. qty.)

Attendees: Virginia, Phil, Jim, Dianna, Ken, Jeff, John, Rex, Charlotte, Maureen, Bruce, Sue, Bev, Carlos, Allen, Judy B., Judy Lo., Karen, Wilma, Amy, Junelle, Nancy, Merilee

CHECKLIST:

WATERFOWL: Snow Goose (5000), Brant (1000), Canada Goose (24), Trumpeter Swan (150), Gadwall (2), American Wigeon (150), Mallard (200), Northern Pintail (650), Green-winged Teal (80), Greater Scaup (200), Lesser Scaup (200), Surf Scoter (16), White-winged Scoter (6), Long-tailed Duck (4), Bufflehead (335), Common Goldeneye (20), Hooded Merganser (2), Red-breasted Merganser (526, Ruddy Duck (5).

LOONS, GREBES: Red-throated Loon (2), Pacific Loon (1), Common Loon (3), Pied-billed Grebe (1), Horned Grebe (6), Red-necked Grebe (9)

PELICANS, HERONS, IBIS: Double-crested Cormorant (38), Pelagic Cormorant (100), Great Blue Heron (35)

RAPTORS: Bald Eagle (6), Northern Harrier (2), Red-tailed Hawk (2), Rough-legged Hawk (1)

SHOREBIRDS: Black Oystercatcher (2), Greater Yellowlegs (2), Wilson's Snipe (20)

GULLS, TERNS: Short-billed Gull (16), Glaucous-winged Gull (60)

DOVES, PIGEONS: Rock Pigeon (8), Eurasian Collared-Dove (2), Mourning Dove (1)

ALCIDS, JAEGERS: Pigeon Guillemot (6), Rhinoceros Auklet (2)

DOVES, PIGEONS: Rock Pigeon (4), Eurasian Collared-Dove (2), Mourning Dove (1)

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

WOODPECKERS: Downy Woodpecker (1), Northern Flicker (1)

CORVIDS: American Crow (13)

LARKS, SWALLOWS: Tree Swallow (4), Violet-green Swallow (8)

CHICKADEES, BUSHTIT: Black-capped Chickadee (2)

WRENS: Bewick's Wren (2), Pacific Wren (1)

THRUSHES: American Robin (9)

MIMIDS, STARLINGS: European Starling (2)

WARBLERS, CHATS: Orange-crowned Warbler (1)

LONGSPURS, SPARROWS: Spotted Towhee (5), Song Sparrow (8), White-crowned Sparrow (10), Golden-crowned Sparrow (2), Dark-eyed Junco (1)

BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES: Red-winged Blackbird (12), Brewer's Blackbird (10)

FINCHES, WEAVER FINCH: Purple Finch (2), House Finch (6), Pine Siskin (1), House Sparrow (1)