

Guemes Island

April 26, 2022

Sunshine on Guemes Island made for what was undoubtedly a record species tally for this trip, including numerous Orange-crowned Warblers, Purple Finches, swallows and an early Yellow Warbler. Other songbirds included Black-throated Gray Warbler, Common Yellowthroat, Townsend's Solitaire and nest-building Chestnut-backed Chickadees. A Merlin also sped by. Waterbirds included Harlequin Duck, Common Goldeneye, Common Loon and a calling Sora. We welcomed several new Tuesday birders and much appreciated the lunchtime hospitality extended by Sally Stapp and Dick Brigham.

78 species (approx. qty.)

Attendees: Virginia, Phil, Graham, Dianna, Ken, Teri, Charlotte, Rick, Reg, Doug, John H., Maureen, Carlos, Karen, Doug, Mike, Joanne, Jean, Leeann, Linda, Norwin

CHECKLIST:

WATERFOWL: Canada Goose (1), American Wigeon (5), Mallard (15), Northern Shoveler (4), Green-winged Teal (4), Ring-necked Duck (6), Lesser Scaup (2), Harlequin Duck (2), Surf Scoter (36), Bufflehead (16), Common Goldeneye (4), Hooded Merganser (1), Red-breasted Merganser (2)

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

PELICANS, HERONS, IBIS: Double-crested Cormorant (2), Pelagic Cormorant (5), Great Blue Heron (1)

VULTURE: Turkey Vulture (1)

RAPTORS: Bald Eagle (4), Sharp-shinned Hawk (1), Red-tailed Hawk (2), Merlin (1)

RAILS, CRANES: Sora (1), American Coot (3)

SHOREBIRDS: Killdeer (1)

GULLS, TERNS: Short-billed Gull (1), Glaucous-winged Gull (3)

ALCIDS, JAEGERS: Common Murre (6), Pigeon Guillemot (10), Rhinoceros Auklet (4)

DOVES, PIGEONS: Rock Pigeon (2), Band-tailed Pigeon (15), Mourning Dove (3)

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

KINGFISHER: Belted Kingfisher (1)

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

CORVIDS: American Crow (6), Common Raven (1)

LARKS, SWALLOWS: Tree Swallow (9), Violet-green Swallow (24), Northern Rough-winged Swallow (12), Cliff Swallow (1), Barn Swallow (6)

CHICKADEES, BUSHTIT: Black-capped Chickadee (1), Chestnut-backed Chickadee (3)

NUTHATCHES, CREEPER: Red-breasted Nuthatch (2)

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

THRUSHES: Townsend's Solitaire (1), American Robin (24), Varied Thrush (1)

MIMIDS, STARLINGS: European Starling (2)

WAXWINGS, PIPITS: Cedar Waxwing (1)

WARBLERS, CHATS: Orange-crowned Warbler (8), Common Yellowthroat (4), Yellow Warbler (1), Yellow-rumped Warbler (2), Black-throated Gray Warbler (1)

LONGSPURS, SPARROWS: Spotted Towhee (11), Savannah Sparrow (2), Song Sparrow (26), White-crowned Sparrow (26), Golden-crowned Sparrow (2), Dark-eyed Junco (5)

BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES: Red-winged Blackbird (8), Brewer's Blackbird (3), Brown-headed Cowbird (3)

FINCHES, WEAVER FINCH: Purple Finch (15), House Finch (12), Pine Siskin (10), American Goldfinch (6), House Sparrow (2)