

Darrington

May 9, 2023

A beautiful spring day started off a bit slow at three usual hotspots - Bryson Rd., Whitehorse Park and Sauk Prairie, but we did see Evening Grosbeak, Lincoln's Sparrow, Chipping Sparrow, Spotted Sandpiper, Band-tailed Pigeon, Hammond's Flycatcher, MacGillivray's Warbler, Black-throated Gray Warbler and Osprey. Lunchtime at Squire Creek Campground was a pleasant surprise with several singing Cassin's Vireo, Western Tanager and American Dipper. Fortson Mill offered Cinnamon Teal, Wood Duck, Vaux Swift, Red-breasted Sapsucker, Common Goldeneye and numerous Yellow-rumped Warbler. At C-Post Rd., we added Sora, Virginia Rail and Common Merganser. Finally, we stopped at Blue Stilly Park to find Bullock's Oriole.

71 species (approx. qty.)

Attendees: Phil, Frank, Dianne, Tari, Carol, Pam T., Jane, Pam P., John E., John H., Val, Judy L., Amy, Sue B, Robin, Karen, Jeff, Bruce, Rick, Victor, Marcia, Pat, Graham, Judy B.

CHECKLIST:

WATERFOWL: Canada Goose (14), Wood Duck (2), Gadwall (89), Mallard (2), Cinnamon Teal (2), Green-winged Teal (1), Bufflehead (4), Common Goldeneye (1), Common Merganser (4)

VULTURE: Turkey Vulture (1)

RAPTORS: Osprey (1), Bald Eagle (1), Red-tailed Hawk (1)

RAILS, CRANES: Virginia Rail (2), Sora (1)

SHOREBIRDS: Killdeer (1), Spotted Sandpiper (2), Whimbrel (12)

DOVES, PIGEONS: Rock Pigeon (1), Band-tailed Pigeon (16), Mourning Dove (4)

NIGHTHAWKS, SWIFTS: Vaux Swift (3)

HUMMINGBIRDS: Anna's Hummingbird (1)

WOODPECKERS: Red-breasted Sapsucker (6), Downy Woodpecker (2), Hairy Woodpecker (2), Pileated Woodpecker (2)

FLYCATCHERS: Hammond's Flycatcher (5), Pacific-slope Flycatcher (2)

SHRIKES, VIREOS: Cassin's Vireo (6), Warbling Vireo (1)

CORVIDS: Steller's Jay (4), American Crow (3), Common Raven (4)

LARKS, SWALLOWS: Tree Swallow (15), Violet-Green Swallow (4), Barn Swallow (4), Cliff Swallow (1)

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

NUTHATCHES, CREEPER: Red-breasted Nuthatch (1)

WRENS: Pacific Wren (2)

DIPPER: American Dipper (2)

THRUSHES: American Robin (53)

MIMIDS, STARLINGS: European Starling (2)

WAXWINGS, PIPIT: American Pipit (32)

WARBLERS, CHATS: Orange-crowned Warbler (2), Nashville Warbler (1), MacGillivray's Warbler (2), Common Yellowthroat (5), Yellow-rumped Warbler (25), Black-throated Gray Warbler (4), Wilson's Warbler (4)

LONGSPURS, SPARROWS: Spotted Towhee (2), Chipping Sparrow (2), Savannah Sparrow (4), Song Sparrow (8), Lincoln's Sparrow (1), White-crowned Sparrow (9), Golden-crowned Sparrow (3)

TANAGERS, GROSBEAKS: Western Tanager (2), Black-headed Grosbeak (5)

BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES: Red-winged Blackbird (19), Brewer's Blackbird (4), Brown-headed Cowbird (7)

FINCHES, WEAVER FINCH: Evening Grosbeak (3), House Finch (1), Purple Finch (1), American Goldfinch (7), House Sparrow (2)