

**MONTHLY BIRD CENSUS 20 MARCH 2011**

<b>CENSUS CONDITIONS:</b>	<b>TIME 08:15 – 11:35</b>	<b>CLOUD COVER 95%</b>	<b>PRECIP NONE</b>
<b>OPEN WATER ALL</b>	<b>FOG NONE</b>	<b>WIND 10–15 MPH</b>	<b>TEMP 39 - 49</b>
<b>PARTICIPANTS: Kathy Andrich, Clarice Clark &amp; Jerry Broadus, Liz Aagaard, Sharon Aagaard and Matt Knox (ponds)</b>		<b>Also, the guests of Matt were Josh &amp; Emily Laporte</b>	
<b>Knut Hansen and Roger Orness (meadows)</b>			

**SPECIES**

1. Gr. White-fronted Goose 1	19. Cooper's Hawk 2	*4	37. Bewick's Wren 6
2. Canada Goose 72	20. Red-tailed Hawk 4	*5	38. Marsh Wren 17
3. Wood Duck 3	21. Merlin 1	*6	39. Golden-crowned Kinglet 8
4. Gadwall 18	22. Virginia Rail 2 H		40. Ruby-crowned Kinglet 11
5. American Wigeon 8	23. American Coot 52		41. American Robin 24
6. Mallard 96	24. Killdeer 2	*7	42. European Starling 13
7. Northern Shoveler 55	25. Glaucous-winged Gull 5		43. Yellow-rumped Warbler 29
8. Northern Pintail 10	26. Rock Pigeon 2		44. Spotted Towhee 19
9. Green-winged Teal 27	27. Anna's Hummingbird 2		45. Fox Sparrow 4
10. Ring-necked Duck 16	28. Northern Flicker 4		46. Song Sparrow 29
11. Bufflehead 17	29. Hutton's Vireo 1		47. Lincoln's Sparrow 1
12. Hooded Merganser 2	30. Steller's Jay 1		48. Golden-crowned Sparrow 2
13. Ruddy Duck 1	31. Western Scrub-Jay 2		49. Dark-eyed Junco 1
14. Pied-billed Grebe 1	32. American Crow 43		50. Red-winged Blackbird 8
15. Double-crested Cormorant 2	33. Tree Swallow 84		51. Brown-headed Cowbird 1
16. Great Blue Heron 12	34. Violet-green Swallow 42	*1	52. House Finch 4
17. Bald Eagle 1	35. Black-capped Chickadee 7	*2	53. American Goldfinch 7
18. Northern Harrier 1	36. Bushtit 13	*3	

**\*NOTES\***

- \*1 Four heron nests were occupied with four herons, but if any incubation was happening, it was not discerned.
- \*2 An adult flew in from the NW. and perched on the tower, just S. of the S. viewing tower. SEE MORE NOTES.
- \*3 An adult female flew in from E. to W. over the lagoon and was observed hunting low in the west meadows.
- \*4 A SY juvenile flying E. to W. over the lagoon, then likely same, interacting with an adult soaring over tower.
- \*5 One SW. resident adult on territory; both NW. adults on territory, (one low on the nest). SEE MORE NOTES.
- \*6 Chased by a crow and flying hard from N. to S. over us by the nursery, continued SW. over the road to river.
- \*7 Although they were not utilizing the site at the time, crows were chasing them over the flooded grass on site.
- \*8 Four Myrtles and many Audubon's Warblers observed, but not further distinguished by numbers, as to race.

**MORE NOTES**

The eagle was greeted by one of the resident NW. red-tails, defending his territory on a couple different occasions. Besides the three resident adult red-tails seen, there was a SY (second-year) juvenile in a west meadow deciduous. Three river otters in lagoon, just N. of island, and one muskrat on the bank of NE. pretreatment pond, (by 64<sup>th</sup> Ave). Recently installed bird boxes now in place to greet the Spring arrivals, just in time, as the swallows have returned.