



MONTHLY BIRD CENSUS 24 March 2013

PRELIMINARY DRAFT 03/29/2013

CENSUS CONDITIONS:	TIME 08:20 – 11:20	CLOUD COVER 100%	PRECIP NONE
OPEN WATER ALL	FOG NONE	WIND NONE	TEMP 32 - 40
PARTICIPANTS: Barbara Carmichael, Barbara Petersen, and Jerry Broadus (ponds)			
Clarice Clark and Roger Orness (meadows) with contributions from: Amit Kulkarni and Ted Doan			

SPECIES

1. Canada Goose 39	17. Red-tailed Hawk 5	*6	33. Marsh Wren 14	
2. Gadwall 15	18. American Kestrel 1	*7	34. Ruby-crowned Kinglet 7	
3. American Wigeon 164	19. American Coot 70		35. American Robin 123	
4. Mallard 25	20. Mew Gull 2		36. European Starling 110	
5. Northern Shoveler 48	21. Anna's Hummingbird 4		37. Yellow-rumped Warbler 40	*8
6. Green-winged Teal 22	22. Rufous Hummingbird 2		38. Spotted Towhee 16	
7. Ring-necked Duck 15	23. Downy Woodpecker 1		39. Fox Sparrow 3	
8. Bufflehead 12	24. Northern Flicker 10		40. Song Sparrow 31	
9. Common Merganser 2	25. Steller's Jay 1		41. Lincoln's Sparrow 1	
10. Double-crested Cormorant 4	26. American Crow 43		42. Golden-crowned Sparrow 6	
11. California Quail 2	27. Tree Swallow 42		43. Dark-eyed Junco 8	
12. Pied-billed Grebe 1	28. Violet-green Swallow 10		44. Red-winged Blackbird 10	
13. American Bittern 1	29. Black-capped Chickadee 15		45. Purple Finch 2	
14. Great Blue Heron 38	30. Chestnut-backed Chickadee 2		46. Red Crossbill 6	*9
15. Bald Eagle 2	31. Bushtit 20		47. House Finch 3	
16. Northern Harrier 1	32. Bewick's Wren 12			

NOTES

- *1 One seen and one heard near SW trail by Ted, then meadows team had one quail flush up in the same location.
- *2 NEED data for a note about the bittern.....
- *3 Several of the 33 heron nests were occupied with 23 herons and the incubation should soon to be underway.
- *4 One adult on the power tower S. of the lagoon, then later a sub-adult eagle was observed on the same tower.
- *5 One SY (second year) juvenile brown harrier, harassed by several crows over the NW corner of the meadows.
- *6 Both SW. adults and both NW. adults on territory and one very light headed adult vagrant just S. of the lagoon.
- *7 The female kestrel was seen in various meadow trees where a male has been observed on past surveys.
- *8 The warblers were nearly an even split between Audubon's and Myrtles with a few more seen as Myrtles race.
- *9 The small flock of crossbills were high in the large tree top near the meadows trail's main gate parking lot.

MORE NOTES

One Coyote was seen hunting north to south along the edge of the wet meadows toward the interior access road.
 Fresh owl pellets under the Anderson Park pines, so the owl box could be occupied, but has yet to be confirmed.