Howard County Bird Club
A Chapter of the Maryland Ornithological Society (MOS)

Field Trip: Sunday, October 14, 2007
Sparrow BIG DAY

Trip Leader: Ott, Bonnie

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Location: Sparrow BIG DAY

Details: Central Farm, Alpha Ridge, Mount Pleasant, Western Regional, Waterford. All day, sunny mild wind picking up in the afternoon

Number on trip: 9

Birds:
(Numbers of individuals are shown if they were recorded.)

- Canada Goose:
- Mallard:
- Great Blue Heron:
- Black Vulture:
- Turkey Vulture:
- Bald Eagle: 1
- Northern Harrier: 1
- Sharp-shinned Hawk:
- Cooper's Hawk:
- Red-shouldered Hawk:
- Red-tailed Hawk:
- American Kestrel:
- Peregrine Falcon:
- Spotted Sandpiper: 1
- Wilson's Snipe: 2
- Rock Pigeon:
- Mourning Dove:
- Belted Kingfisher:
- Red-headed Woodpecker: 1 imm
- Red-bellied Woodpecker:
- Yellow-bellied Sapsucker:
- Downy Woodpecker:
- Hairy Woodpecker:
- Northern Flicker:
- Pileated Woodpecker:
- Eastern Phoebe:
- Blue-headed Vireo:
- Blue Jay:
- American Crow:
- Fish Crow:
- Horned Lark:
- Tree Swallow: 30
- Carolina Chickadee:
- Carolina Wren:
- House Wren:
- Golden-crowned Kinglet:
- Ruby-crowned Kinglet:
- Eastern Bluebird:
- American Robin:
- Gray Catbird:
- Northern Mockingbird:
- European Starling:
- Cedar Waxwing:
- Black-throated Blue Warbler: 1
- Yellow-rumped Warbler: 8
- Palm Warbler: 8
- Common Yellowthroat: 1
- Eastern Towhee: 3
- Chipping Sparrow: 15
- Field Sparrow: 20
- Savannah Sparrow: 150
- Grasshopper Sparrow: 2
- Song Sparrow: 200
- Lincoln's Sparrow:
- Swamp Sparrow: 40
- White-throated Sparrow: 30
- White-crowned Sparrow: 30
- Northern Cardinal:
- Indigo Bunting: 1
- Dickcissel: 1
- Bobolink: 3
- Red-winged Blackbird:
- Eastern Meadowlark: 6
- Common Grackle:
- Brown-headed Cowbird:
- Purple Finch: 1 brown
Comments:
The sparrows had definitely arrived. We were hung up on 9 species for the day and could not locate a vesper to our dismay. No “rarities” but great numbers of all the expected birds. 2 GRASSHOPPERS and 4 LINCOLNS were found. We had one of the highest counts of WHITE-CROWNS in years with 30-40+ birds. SAVANNAH and SONGS in the hundreds. Non-sparrow highlights were DICKCISSEL, PURPLE FINCH, MERLIN, and RED-HEADED WOODPECKER