

Howard County Bird Club

A Chapter of the Maryland Ornithological Society (MOS)

Field Trip: Saturday, March 15, 2008

Trip Leader: Schwarz, Kurt

Date of Trip: Saturday, March 15, 2008

Location: Howard Waterfowl Search

Details: Elkhorn, Wilde, Centennial Lakes, Triadelphia Reservoir. Half day, 08:00-14:00. Mostly sunny, fairly stiff breeze, temps ranging from mid-40s to low 60s.

Number on trip: 8

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

- Canada Goose:
- Tundra Swan: (heard only)
- American Black Duck: 1
- Mallard:
- Ring-necked Duck: 7
- Bufflehead: 8
- Hooded Merganser: 11
- Pied-billed Grebe: 6
- Horned Grebe: 3
- Great Blue Heron: 1
- Black Vulture:
- Turkey Vulture:
- Bald Eagle: 1
- Cooper's Hawk:
- Red-shouldered Hawk: 5
- Red-tailed Hawk: 2
- American Kestrel: 1
- American Coot: 3
- Ring-billed Gull:
- Herring Gull: 2
- Mourning Dove:
- Belted Kingfisher: 2
- Red-bellied Woodpecker:
- Downy Woodpecker:
- Northern Flicker:
- Eastern Phoebe: 3
- Blue Jay:
- American Crow:
- Fish Crow:
- Carolina Chickadee:
- Tufted Titmouse:
- White-breasted Nuthatch:
- Carolina Wren:
- Eastern Bluebird: 4
- American Robin:
- Northern Mockingbird:
- European Starling:
- Song Sparrow:
- Swamp Sparrow: 2
- White-crowned Sparrow:
- Northern Cardinal:
- Red-winged Blackbird:
- Common Grackle: 1,000+
- House Finch:
- American Goldfinch:
- House Sparrow:

Comments:

A Pine Warbler was heard on the MontCo side at Greenbridge. Herring Gulls at Wilde in a.m. and Kittamaquindi in p.m. No sign of Great Black-backed Gull. Hybrids: Possible Mallard/Black Duck at Wilde Lake. Forebay Pond had two hybrid geese, part Canada. A similar one was seen at Centennial. The American Kestrel was on the wire along Ten Oaks Rd. between Brighton Dam Rd. and rt. 108. Two possible Wilson's Snipe glimpsed at Forebay. Mike Kerwin saw another at Centennial shortly before group arrived at his usual station on the south shore. Bald Eagle appeared to be a non-adult, but light was bad. No way to estimate the number of Common Grackles. It was a LOT. General lack of waterfowl about! There were 6 scaup sp. at Greenbridge.