

Howard County Bird Club

A Chapter of the Maryland Ornithological Society (MOS)

Field Trip: Saturday, April 14, 2012

Trip Leaders: Kevin Graff, Joe Hanfman, Pete Webb

Date of Trip: Saturday, April 14, 2012

Location: Boat Trip to Smith Island (Somerset County)

Details: Great weather and several Northern Gannets near the boat. On the island we had singing Seaside Sparrows and Clapper Rails. Yellow-crowned and Black-crowned Night-Herons in the marsh, and Purple Sandpipers on the rock jetty.

Number on trip: 42

On Smith Island

- Canada Goose 1
- Gadwall 4
- American Wigeon 2
- American Black Duck 10
- Mallard 2
- Red-breasted Merganser 4
- Common Loon 1
- Double-crested Cormorant 14
- Brown Pelican 13
- Great Blue Heron 9
- Great Egret 6
- Snowy Egret 1
- Little Blue Heron 3
- Tricolored Heron 2
- Black-crowned Night-Heron 1
- Yellow-crowned Night-Heron 2
- Glossy Ibis 7
- Turkey Vulture 1
- Osprey 8
- Bald Eagle 1
- Northern Harrier 1
- Peregrine Falcon 1
- Clapper Rail 3
- American Oystercatcher 2
- Willet (Eastern) 5
- Sanderling 4
- Purple Sandpiper 3 (On the jetty as entering Smith Island. Dark, plump, with longish bill.)
- Wilson's Snipe 4
- Bonaparte's Gull 2
- Laughing Gull 11
- Ring-billed Gull 3
- Great Black-backed Gull 15
- Forster's Tern 15
- Royal Tern 5
- Rock Pigeon 3
- Chimney Swift 3
- Ruby-throated Hummingbird 1
- Red-bellied Woodpecker 2
- Fish Crow 6
- Purple Martin 2
- Barn Swallow 18
- Carolina Chickadee 1
- Carolina Wren 1
- House Wren 1
- Ruby-crowned Kinglet 2
- American Robin 2
- Northern Mockingbird 2
- Brown Thrasher 1
- European Starling 12
- Palm Warbler 1 (Yellow)
- Yellow-rumped Warbler 1 (Myrtle)
- Eastern Towhee 2
- Savannah Sparrow 1 (Eastern)
- Seaside Sparrow 6
- Song Sparrow 1
- White-throated Sparrow 1
- Northern Cardinal 5
- Red-winged Blackbird 37
- Common Grackle 2
- Boat-tailed Grackle 6

- Herring Gull 41 (American)

- Brown-headed Cowbird 2
- House Finch 5
- House Sparrow 8

Trip to/from Smith Island

- Red-throated Loon 2
- Common Loon 7
- Northern Gannet 38
- Double-crested Cormorant 34
- Brown Pelican 3
- Osprey 2
- Bonaparte's Gull 5
- Laughing Gull 2
- Ring-billed Gull 2
- Herring Gull 8 (American)
- Great Black-backed Gull 5
- Forster's Tern 1
- Tree Swallow 3
- Barn Swallow 2

Comments: Trip to/from is in both St. Marys and Somerset Counties.