

Howard County Bird Club

A Chapter of the Maryland Ornithological Society (MOS)

Field Trip: Hawk Watch

Trip Leader: Russ Ruffing

Date of Trip: Saturday, November 7, 2015

Location: Mount Pleasant

Number: 8

Remarks: NW winds were perfect and a lot of birds were flying early, but then the rain began in the 9:00 hour through the 12:00 hour and quieted things down considerably.

- Canada Goose 45
- Common Loon 46
- Black Vulture 10
- Turkey Vulture 25
- **Northern Harrier 4** (3 gray ghosts as flyovers, one female hunting the grounds)
- Sharp-shinned Hawk 4
- Bald Eagle 2
- Red-tailed Hawk 4
- Mourning Dove 3
- Red-bellied Woodpecker 3
- Yellow-bellied Sapsucker 1
- Downy Woodpecker 2
- Northern Flicker (Yellow-shafted) 2
- Pileated Woodpecker 1
- Blue Jay 18
- American Crow 92
- Fish Crow 5
- Common Raven 2
- Tufted Titmouse 1
- White-breasted Nuthatch 2
- Carolina Wren 2
- Eastern Bluebird 18
- **American Robin 1499** (exact count of all birds observed passing overhead, the majority of which were in flocks of 10-50 throughout the morning prior to the rain)
- Northern Mockingbird 3
- European Starling 60
- American Pipit 1 (heard only)
- Cedar Waxwing 148
- Palm Warbler (Yellow) 1
- Yellow-rumped Warbler (Myrtle) 8
- White-throated Sparrow 6
- Savannah Sparrow 1
- Song Sparrow 2
- Eastern Towhee 1
- Northern Cardinal 1
- Red-winged Blackbird 97
- Common Grackle 15
- House Finch 5
- American Goldfinch 20