

Howard County Bird Club

A Chapter of the Maryland Ornithological Society (MOS)

Field Trip: Osprey boat trip led by Greg Kearnes

Trip Leader: Mary Maxey

Recorder: John Harris

Date of Trip: Friday, June 30, 2017

Location: Jug Bay

Details: Greg banded a few, and many of the 17 people on board were allowed to hold a bird. Greg gave specific instructions so that the birds were held correctly. We also saw Greg do a little first aid on one bird to try to remove a fishing line which was imbedded in the legs of the bird. From that same nest we saw one osprey which had died because it was trapped in fishing line. Another bird died while we were there. It appeared to have a respiratory problem. We saw other nests where the birds were healthy.

Number: 17



Gregg Kearnes with Osprey (photo by Mary Lou Clark). Mary Maxey with Osprey (photo by John Harris). Juvenile Osprey in nest (photo by John Harris).

- Wood Duck 3
- Double-crested Cormorant 7
- Great Blue Heron 3
- Black Vulture 2
- Turkey Vulture 7
- Osprey 35
- Sharp-shinned Hawk 1
- Red-shouldered Hawk 1
- Chimney Swift 7
- Belted Kingfisher 2
- Acadian Flycatcher 2
- Eastern Phoebe 1
- Eastern Kingbird 2
- White-eyed Vireo 4
- American Crow 10
- Northern Rough-winged Swallow 10
- Tree Swallow 25
- Barn Swallow 2
- Marsh Wren 3
- Carolina Wren 2
- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 1
- Gray Catbird 1
- Prothonotary Warbler 3
- Common Yellowthroat 1
- Northern Parula 1
- Northern Cardinal 4
- Indigo Bunting 10
- Red-winged Blackbird 30