From: Mike Brady Subject: [the-village-birders] Emeralda Marsh, 6 March 2020 Date: March 6, 2020 To: Village Birders Reply-To: Mike Brady

Birders,

Twenty or so intrepid birders braved the sunshine (after a cool start) to enjoy the bounty of the Emeralda Marsh Conservation Area. The happy band experienced 55 species--with a few, including our target Painted Bunting, heard only by a couple of people. The highlight was probably the extended quality-time spent with a Barred Owl ("highlight" and "quality" are from our perspective, not the owl's). The lowlight was an odorous raccoon carcass--but that was a highlight for the 6 vultures enjoying it. No luck with Snail Kites or rails or bitterns or Soras, but at least we saw coots.

The checklist is attached. Participants: if you see anything I missed, please holler.

Namaste, Mike

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Village Birders Checklist

WATERFOWL		STORK,FRIG,GANN		RAILS, CRANES		GULLS, TERNS	1
BI-bel Whistling-Duck		Wood Stork		Yellow Rail		Pomarine Jaeger	
Fulv. Whistling-Duck		Magnif. Frigatebird		Black Rail		Parasitic Jaeger	
Snow Goose		Brown Booby		Clapper Rail		Bonaparte's Gull	
Ross's Goose		Northern Gannet		King Rail		Laughing Gull	
Gr Wh-fronted Goose				Virginia Rail		Ring-billed Gull	Х
Canada Goose		CORM, ANH, PELS		Sora		Herring Gull	
Egyptian Goose		D-crested Cormorant	Х	Purple Swamphen		Lr. Black-backed Gull	
Muscovy Duck		Anhinga	X	Purple Gallinule	X	Gr. Black-backed Gull	
Wood Duck	X	Amer. White Pelican	X	Common Gallinule	X	Least Tern	
Gadwall		Brown Pelican		American Coot	X	Gull-billed Tern	
Eurasian Wigeon				Limpkin	X	Caspian Tern	
American Wigeon		WADERS		Sandhill Crane	X	Common Tern	
Mallard		American Bittern		Whooping Crane		Forster's Tern	
Mottled Duck		Least Bittern				Royal Tern	
Blue-winged Teal	Х	Great Blue Heron	Х	SHOREBIRDS		Sandwich Tern	†
Northern Shoveler		Great Egret	X	Black-necked Stilt		Black Skimmer	1
Northern Pintail		Snowy Egret	X	American Avocet			
Green-winged Teal		Little Blue Heron	X	Amer. Oystercatcher		DOVES, CUCKOOS	
Canvasback		Tricolored Heron	X	Black-bellied Plover		Rock Pigeon	
Redhead		Reddish Egret		Am. Golden-Plover		Eur. Collared-Dove	
Ring-necked Duck	X	Cattle Egret	Х	Snowy Plover		White-winged Dove	
Lesser Scaup		Green Heron		Wilson's Plover		Com. Ground-Dove	
Common Eider		B-crown. Night-Heron	Х	Semipalmated Plover		Mourning Dove	Х
White-winged Scoter		Y-crown. Night-Heron		Piping Plover		Yellow-billed Cuckoo	
Black Scoter		White Ibis	Х	Killdeer			
Long-tailed Duck		Glossy Ibis	Х	Spotted Sandpiper		OWLS	
Bufflehead		White-faced Ibis		Solitary Sandpiper		Barn Owl	
Common Goldeneye		Roseate Spoonbill		Greater Yellowlegs		Eastern Screech-Owl	
Hooded Merganser				Willet		Great Horned Owl	
Common Merganser		RAPTORS		Lesser Yellowlegs		Burrowing Owl	
R-breast. Merganser		Black Vulture	Х	Whimbrel		Barred Owl	Х
Ruddy Duck		Turkey Vulture	Х	Marbled Godwit		Short-eared Owl	
		Osprey	Х	Ruddy Turnstone			
QUAIL, TURKEY		Swallow-tailed Kite		Red Knot		NIGHT, APOD, KING	
Northern Bobwhite		Snail Kite		Stilt Sandpiper		Common Nighthawk	
Wild Turkey	Х	Mississippi Kite		Sanderling		Chimney Swift	
		Bald Eagle	Х	Dunlin		R-throated Hummer	
LOONS, GREBES		Northern Harrier		Purple Sandpiper		B-chinned Hummer	
Common Loon	1	Sharp-shinned Hawk		Least Sandpiper		Belted Kingfisher	Х
Pied-billed Grebe	Х	Cooper's Hawk		Semipalm. Sandpiper			1
Horned Grebe	1	Red-shouldered Hawk	Х	Western Sandpiper			1
		Broad-winged Hawk		Shrt-billed Dowitcher			1
		Short-tailed Hawk		Long-billed Dowitcher			1
		Swainson's Hawk		Wilson's Snipe			1
		Red-tailed Hawk		American Woodcock			

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WOODPECKERS		CORVID, SWALLOW		WOOD WARBLERS		SPARROWS	
Red-headed Wood.		Blue Jay		Ovenbird		Eastern Towhee	
Red-bel. Woodpecker	Х	Florida Scrub-Jay		Worm-eating Warbler		Bachman's Sparrow	
Yellow-bel. Sapsucker	Х	American Crow		LouisianaWaterthrush		Amer. Tree Sparrow	
Downy Woodpecker		Fish Crow		Northern Waterthrush		Chipping Sparrow	
Hairy Woodpecker		Purple Martin		Blue-winged Warbler		Field Sparrow	
Red-cockaded Wood.		Tree Swallow	Х	Blk-and-wht Warbler	Х	Vesper Sparrow	
Northern Flicker		N. R-winged Swallow		Prothonotary Warbler		Savannah Sparrow	Х
Pileated Woodpecker		Cliff Swallow		Tennessee Warbler		Gr'hopper Sparrow	
		Barn Swallow		Or-crowned Warbler		Le Conte's Sparrow	
FALCONS PARROTS				Kentucky Warbler		Nelson's Sparrow	
Crested Caracara		PARIDS, HATCHES		Com. Yellowthroat	Х	Seaside Sparrow	
American Kestrel	Х	Carolina Chickadee		Hooded Warbler		Song Sparrow	
Merlin		Tufted Titmouse	Х	American Redstart		Lincoln's Sparrow	
Peregrine Falcon		R-breasted Nuthatch		Cape May Warbler		Swamp Sparrow	
Nanday Parakeet		Brn-headed Nuthatch		Cerulean Warbler		Wh-throated Sparrow	
				Northern Parula	Н	Wh-crowned Sparrow	
FLYCATCHERS		WREN GNAT KING		Magnolia Warbler			
Eastern Wood-Pewee		House Wren		Blackburnian Warbler		TANS, GROS, BUNTS	
Yel-bellied Flycatcher		Sedge Wren		Yellow Warbler		Summer Tanager	
Acadian Flycatcher		Marsh Wren		Chest-sided Warbler		Scarlet Tanager	
Least Flycatcher		Carolina Wren	Х	Blackpoll Warbler		Northern Cardinal	Х
Eastern Phoebe	Х	BI-gray Gnatcatcher	Х	Blk-thr. Blue Warbler		R-breasted Grosbeak	
Vermilion Flycatcher		Ruby-crowned Kinglet		Palm Warbler	Х	Blue Grosbeak	
Ash-throated Fly.				Pine Warbler		Indigo Bunting	
Great Crested Fly.		THRUSH, MIMICS		Yel-rumped Warbler	Х	Painted Bunting	
Tropical Kingbird		Eastern Bluebird		Yel-throated Warbler			
Cassin's Kingbird		Veery		Prairie Warbler		ICTERIDS	
Western Kingbird		Gray-cheeked Thrush		Bl-thr. Green Warbler		Bobolink	
Eastern Kingbird		Swainson's Thrush		Yellow-breasted Chat		Red-winged Blackbird	Х
Gray Kingbird		Hermit Thrush				Eastern Meadowlark	
Scissor-tailed Fly.		Wood Thrush				Common Grackle	Х
		American Robin	Х			Boat-tailed Grackle	Х
SHRIKE, VIREOS		Gray Catbird	Η			Bronzed Cowbird	
Loggerhead Shrike		Brown Thrasher				Brn-headed Cowbird	
White-eyed Vireo		Northern Mockingbird	Х			Orchard Oriole	
Yellow-throated Vireo						Baltimore Oriole	
Blue-headed Vireo		STAR, PIP, WWING					
Red-eyed Vireo		European Starling				FINCHES, WEAVER	
Blk-whiskered Vireo		Common Hill Myna				House Finch	
		American Pipit				American Goldfinch	
		Cedar Waxwing	Х			House Sparrow	
						TOTAL SPECIES	
						55	
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