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# The Spoonbill

## OG Activities for August

### **MEETING PROGRAM**

#### **"Birding Bulgaria & Turkey"**

*presented by*  
*Rob Thacker*

Officer elections will be held at this meeting.

The next OG meeting is to be held Monday, August 3, at the Baylands Community Center, 6400 Bissonett (just west of Hillcroft) at 7 PM.

### **LEARNING CORNER**

#### **"Bird Finding Guides (With A Grain of Salt)"**

Join Exalted OG Chair Bob Ohmart at 6:30 PM August 3 before the meeting.

### **FIELD TRIPS**

#### ***Mid-week***

Wednesday, August 12  
**Bolivar Flats' Shorebirds**  
*led by*  
*Winnie Burkett*

Meet at the car barrier to Bolivar Flats at 6 PM.

**THIS IS AN EVENING FIELD TRIP.** Contact Sonny Fisher at (281) 346-2354.

#### ***Weekend***

Saturday, August 8  
**Bolivar: Flats & Peninsula**  
*led by*  
*David Sarkozi*

Meet at the car barrier to Bolivar Flats at 8 AM.

Contact David Sarkozi at (713) 520-5906.

## Hawkeyes Wanted

by Heather Bacher, GCBO

It's time for the 8th Annual Smith Point Fall Hawk Watch. As you know, the Smith Point Hawk Watch is the only organized hawk watch on the Upper Texas Coast. Smith Point is an extremely good place to watch south bound raptors because geography and wind direction work together to funnel birds down the point and over the hawk watch site.

On days with north winds, observers may be treated to the spectacle of thousands of Broad-winged Hawks and hundreds of accipiters streaming over the hawk watch tower. Twenty species of raptors have been seen including Swallow-tailed Kites, Peregrine Falcons, and occasionally even a Bald Eagle!

Smith Point is also a great place to see migrating songbirds. Nearby oak mottes provide food and shelter for warblers, orioles, gnatcatchers and buntings also heading south for winter. Large numbers of Ruby-throated Hummingbirds, swallows and Scissor-tailed Flycatchers also pass over the point on their way south. To date, 153 species of birds have been identified at Candy Abshier by official hawk counters.

The Gulf Coast Bird Observatory, working with HawkWatch International, is now preparing to publish the results of last year's watch. Anyone interested may

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## The Plan For '98-'99

Officers and committee chairs met on June 29th to discuss plans for the 1998-99 OG year. A wide variety of topics were discussed and the following are some of our ideas for the coming OG year.

Membership meetings will continue on the first Monday of the month except for September when it will be on the 14th because of Labor Day. There was some debate whether to continue the Learning Corner or use that time for socializing. It was decided to continue the Learning Corner but we need a program coordinator. If you have an interest in coordinating the program this year please notify Bob Ohmart.

Review of our budget status (calendar year 1998) indicated a somewhat limited budget for the remainder of the year. Spoonbill expenses (printing and postage) generally are over half of our yearly expenses and a large percentage of that is due to publishing the Clearing House data. Several options were explored to reduce costs but it was decided to continue as before with the provision that the number of total Spoonbill pages each month be limited.

Weekend and midweek field trips are planned for August/September through May. We hope to arrange at least two special/weekend trips during the year. If you have any trip suggestions, let us know.

Damien Carey offered to investigate the possibility of establishing small study groups to learn more about specific birds of interest, e.g. sparrows, shorebirds, etc.

Janet Rathjean has offered to take over the responsibility for the library. David Bradford, who has carried this burden (literally - that box is heavy) for several years, does not know this yet as he is out of town, but we hope he will be pleased since he was looking for a replacement last year. Thank you, David, for a job well done.

We (actually Janet with David's help) are considering alternatives to the Librarian lugging that large box to meetings. One option is to provide members with an inventory list so that you can request items

be brought to the next meeting for checkouts. Another possibility being investigated is to store the library materials at the Gulf Coast Bird Observatory office. Members could drop by there to check out items or it might be possible that the Librarian or someone else could bring requested items to the next meeting. Notify Janet if you have any suggestions.

## Brazos Bend Picnic

Fifteen members and guests met at Elm Lake on June 6 for the annual OG birding picnic at Brazos Bend State Park. Approximately 40 species were seen with the morning's highlight being a pair of Barred Owls sifting in the open casually adding our strange looking group to their life lists.

## Officers for '98-'99

Election of Officers of officers for the '98-'99 year will be held during the August meeting. Nominees are: Chairman - Bob Ohmart, Vice-Chairman - David Sarkozi, Treasurer - Lin Chen, Secretary - open.

Other nominations can be made by contacting any of the current officers or at the meeting. *A candidate for secretary is urgently needed.*

## Bring Money

We have a surplus 486 computer that will be put up for bids at the August membership meeting. The OG reserves the right to reject all bids.

## Need a SIG?

If you have a special interest in some aspect of birding, a desire to share the expertise of the OG or want to improve your skill a special interest group may be for you.

The Special Interest Groups (SIG) form by OG members around a certain type of birds (i.e. shorebirds, wintering sparrows), skill development (e.g. birding by ear), geographic area (i.e. Katy Prairie) or any aspect of birding several OG members share a keen ability or interest in.

These SIGs will plan their own activities and field trips. They

can also conduct Learning Corners, meeting presentations and/or field trips for the OG. If you're interested in a SIG contact Mary Dodson or Damien Carey (beloved Spoonbill editor).

### Introducing Hawk Watch Lite

Last fall, I became intrigued with the idea of a Hawk Watch at the Bolivar Flats in Galveston County. I think it would be interesting to see what is moving (Falcons I suspect) immediately along the coast. The Bolivar Flats is in a pretty good geographical position and already has access and a platform.

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If you would like to volunteer to be a counter at a Bolivar Flats Hawk Watch please let me know, there is no time like the present to get started on a project like this.

This should be a low impact count, I doubt we'll see the frenzy of counting required at the Smith Point Hawk Watch across the Bay, but I think we'll see lots of Falcons and Osprey, plus I'm sure lots of Frigatebirds. Bonus birds that might be seen are jaegers and Short-eared Owls.

Every weekend in September are the days to be covered. Contact me, David Sarkozi, at dsarkozi@flash.net or (713) 520-5906.

### Rumours

The 7th edition of the AOU Checklist was released in early July. On its heels are updates and new editions of our field guides and checklists.

The 3rd edition of the National Geographic Society's *Field Guide to the Birds of North America* is set for release in the Spring of 1999.

### Change Is ....Okay

Your eyesight is not getting worse. Instead, the "Spoonbill" is now set in 10 pt. type from 12 pt.

The Clearinghouse bird list is set now in 8 pt. type. I also changed its typeface to make it more readable.

These changes are meant to reduce the number of pages. The hope is that "Spoonbill" can be made more readable and economic.

Over the past year I included articles to inform OG members about happenings in the birding community. There's been a good response to these, but for the sake of economy the "Spoonbill" may not have the variety or numbers of articles as before.

OG activities for any month will be displayed on the first page.

I hope to include a puzzle for each issue that will challenge your knowledge of bird lore. Answers will follow the next month. If you have an idea for a puzzle please submit it.

One aspect that is not changing is Robyn Gray's contribution. He is the nice man that picks up the "Spoonbill" from the printer, affixes 300+ labels and trudges to the post office and fills out the form. I've done this job and I REALLY appreciate Robyn's efforts.

I also hope to save space for contributions, progress reports and announcements from the different SIGs. If you have an idea for a SIG I'll publish it in the "Spoonbill."

Lastly, this is Your "Spoonbill" and more of you in it the better. Your contributions and input are sought. We can print anything that is not too commercial. News, rumours, bits of bird lore and/or a birding experience you want to share is grist for the "Spoonbill."

### UTC Listserv Service

The Houston-OG listserv is started for the purpose of sharing conservation and naturalist information of all kinds on the UTC.

Announcement of organization meetings and activities from bird clubs, nature clubs, conservation groups (e.g. Audubon chapters and subchapters, Katy Prairie Conservancy) now have a place to post.

To subscribe send a message to listserv@listserv.uh.edu. On the first line of the message put: subscribe Houston-OG firstname lastname.

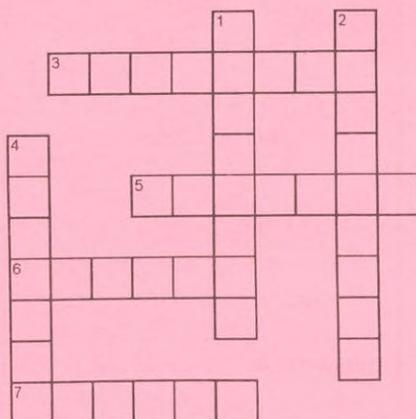
Time to waste this summer? Fill-in the obsolete English names or modern name for these North American Birds. Compiled by Richard C. Banks, USGS, Patuxent Wildlife Research Center

#### Across

3. Amer. Bittern
5. Common Goldeneye
6. Black neck Stilt
7. Croud Robin

#### Down

1. Chipping Sparrow
2. Common Merganser
4. Common Nighthawk



# Clearinghouse Report for May '98

Editor: NEEDED

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Wow, May is almost as big as April! I had over 1,000 sightings to process this month thanks to our friends at the Golden Triangle Audubon Society and Ron Weeks.

Some amazing birds were reported in May, including Thayer's Gull, Brown Noddy, King Eider and Hammonds Flycatcher (*this bird was well photographed and I sent copies to Greg Lasley, secretary of the Texas Bird Records Committee, and he doesn't feel like it is a Hammond's, although he isn't sure what species of empidonax flycatcher it is - D Sarkozi*).

Please keep those reports coming either on the old forms mailed to my address 111 Welch, Apt. B, Houston, TX 77006 or e-mailed to dsarkozi@flash.net. Put your reports in the body of the message in this format: **species, date, county, location, count, observer.**

You may turn in electronic data for more than one person. Remember to send notes on those birds not on the checklist for the reported week or listed as very rare. Here's the legend for this month's reports:

**Format:** species month/day county(location) count observer.

**Counties:** Bra=Brazoria, Cha=Chambers, Col=Colorado, FB=Fort Bend, Gal=Galveston, Har=Harris, Jef=Jefferson, Ora=Orange

**Locations:** ANNWR=AnahuacNWR, ATNWR=Attwater NWR, BF=Bolivar Flats, BRNWR= Brazoria NWR, HI=High Island, SB=San Bernard NWR, SRSP=Sea Rim State Park, SW=Sabine Woods, TP Terrel Park (Beaumont).

**Observers** MA=Mike Austin, KS=Ken Sztraky, DS David Sarkozi, RW=Ron Weeks, JAW=John Whittle, KM=Kelly McDowel, MBS=Mary Beth Stowe, GM=Guy McCaskie, DV=Don Verser

Pied-billed Grebe 5/3 FB 4 SWW; 5/13 Jef 6 KS; 5/24 Jef 6 EKS; 5/27 Jef 6 KS; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 1 DS  
Eared Grebe 5/12 Bra 2 RW  
American White Pelican 5/3 Gal 20 SWW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 7 DS  
Brown Pelican 5/3 Bra 5 SWW; 5/3 Gal 216 SWW  
Double-crested Cormorant 5/24 Jef 2 EKS; 5/27 Jef 2 KS; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 13 DS  
Neotropic Cormorant 5/2 Jef 3 JAW; 5/3 Bra 5 SWW; 5/3 Gal 1 SWW; 5/23 Jef 2 JAW; 5/24 Jef 2 JAW; 5/28 Jef 3 JAW  
Anhinga 5/3 FB 3 SWW; 5/17 Jef 1 KS; 5/24 Jef 2 EKS; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 2 DS  
Magnificent Frigatebird 5/3 Gal 1 SWW  
Least Bittern 5/10 Jef 1 JAW; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 3 DS; 5/31 Jef 1 JAW  
Great Blue Heron 5/3 Bra 1 SWW; 5/3 Gal 3 SWW; 5/24 Jef 2 EKS; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 3 DS; 5/27 Jef 1 KS; 5/31 Jef 1 JAW; 5/31 Jef 4 KS  
Great Egret 5/2 Jef 4 JAW; 5/3 Gal 10 SWW; 5/3 Jef 6 SWW; 5/3 Jef 2 SWW; 5/10 Jef 4 JAW; 5/13 Jef 7 KS; 5/15 Jef 33 JAW; 5/17 Jef 11 KS; 5/23 Jef 3 JAW; 5/24 Jef 11 EKS; 5/24 Jef 2 JAW; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 10 DS; 5/25 Jef 11 JAW; 5/27 Jef 1 KS; 5/28 Jef 4 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 7 DS; 5/31 Jef 3 JAW; 5/31 Jef 4 KS  
Snowy Egret 5/2 Jef 19 JAW; 5/3 Gal 4 SWW; 5/3 Jef 3 SWW; 5/3 Jef 2 SWW; 5/10 Jef 19 JAW; 5/13 Jef 6 KS; 5/17 Jef 12 KS; 5/23 Jef 1 JAW; 5/24 Jef 12 EKS; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 10 DS; 5/25 Jef 8 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 4 DS; 5/31 Jef 2 JAW; 5/31 Jef 6 KS  
Little Blue Heron 5/2 Jef 3 JAW; 5/3 Bra 1 SWW; 5/3 FB 8 SWW; 5/3 Jef 4 SWW; 5/13 Jef 1 KS; 5/15 Jef 28 JAW; 5/23 Jef 4 JAW; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 5 DS; 5/25 Jef 25 JAW; 5/27 Jef 1 KS; 5/31 Jef 12 JAW; 5/31 Jef 2 KS

Tricolored Heron 5/2 Jef 5 JAW; 5/3 Gal 1 SWW; 5/10 Jef 3 JAW; 5/13 Jef 5 KS; 5/15 Jef 1 JAW; 5/17 Jef 2 KS; 5/24 Jef 5 EKS; 5/27 Jef 1 KS; 5/28 Jef 2 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 3 DS; 5/31 Jef 2 KS  
Reddish Egret 5/3 Gal 3 SWW  
Cattle Egret 5/2 Jef 8 JAW; 5/3 Bra 2 SWW; 5/3 Bra 1 SWW; 5/3 Cha 1 SWW; 5/3 FB 1 SWW; 5/3 Gal 49 SWW; 5/3 Jef 6 SWW; 5/3 Jef 10 SWW; 5/10 Jef 5 JAW; 5/13 Jef 10 KS; 5/15 Jef 101 JAW; 5/17 Jef 10 KS; 5/23 Jef 78 JAW; 5/24 Jef 6 EKS; 5/24 Jef 10 JAW; 5/25 Jef 256 JAW; 5/28 Jef 6 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 4 DS; 5/31 Jef 86 JAW; 5/31 Jef 10 KS  
Green Heron 5/2 Jef 5 JAW; 5/3 FB 1 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/13 Jef 1 KS; 5/15 Jef 3 JAW; 5/17 Jef 1 KS; 5/23 Jef 2 JAW; 5/24 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 10 DS; 5/25 Gal(HI) 3 DS; 5/25 Jef 3 JAW; 5/27 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/31 Jef 2 JAW; 5/31 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
Black-crowned Night-Heron 5/10 Jef(SRSP) 6 JAW; 5/24 Jef 10 EKS; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 1 DS  
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron 5/1 Jef 2 JAW; 5/2 Jef 1 JAW; 5/3 FB 15 SWW; 5/3 Jef 2 SWW; 5/3 Jef 3 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/13 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/15 Jef 2 JAW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/24 Jef 4 EKS; 5/24 Jef 4 JAW; 5/25 Jef 28 JAW; 5/27 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/28 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/31 Jef 1 JAW; 5/31 Jef(SW) 1 KS White Ibis 5/2 Jef 3 JAW; 5/3 Bra 10 SWW; 5/3 FB 5 SWW; 5/3 Gal 2 SWW; 5/3 Jef 20 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 5 JAW; 5/13 Jef 18 KS; 5/15 Jef 105 JAW; 5/23 Jef 1 JAW; 5/24 Jef 14 EKS; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 2 DS; 5/25 Jef 54 JAW; 5/27 Jef 2 KS; 5/28 Jef 15 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 5 DS; 5/31 Jef 65 JAW  
White-faced Ibis 5/2 Jef 19 JAW; 5/3 Jef 1 SWW; 5/13 Jef(SW) 10 KS; 5/15 Jef 10 JAW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/22 Bra(BRNWR) 5 MA;

5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 5 DS; 5/25 Jef 100 JAW; 5/31 Jef 10 KS  
Plegadis Ibis species 5/2 Jef 10 JAW; 5/3 Jef 45 SWW; 5/10 Jef 1 JAW; 5/15 Jef 51 JAW; 5/25 Jef 5 JAW; 5/28 Jef 2 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 2 DS  
Roseate Spoonbill 5/3 Gal 8 SWW; 5/3 Jef 12 SWW; 5/10 Jef 2 JAW; 5/13 Jef 5 KS; 5/17 Jef 6 KS; 5/24 Jef 10 EKS; 5/24 Jef 1 JAW; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 4 DS; 5/27 Jef 2 KS; 5/28 Jef 1 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 10 DS; 5/31 Jef 4 KS  
Wood Stork 5/16 Cha(ANNWR) 1 KM  
Black Vulture 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/23 Jef 1 JAW; 5/24 Jef 1 JAW; 5/25 Jef 1 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 1 DS; 5/31 Jef 1 JAW  
Turkey Vulture 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/3 Bra 3 SWW;; 5/3 FB 4 SW; 5/10 Jef 4 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/15 Jef 4 JAW; 5/17 Jef 2 KS; 5/23 Jef 1 JAW; 5/25 Jef 8 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 3 DS; 5/31 Jef 12 JAW  
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/3 FB 20 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 4 JAW; 5/13 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 4 KS  
Fulvous Whistling-Duck 5/3 Gal 4 SWW; 5/3 Jef 8 SWW  
Barnacle Goose 5/10 Jef 2 JAW  
Wood Duck 5/27 Ora 2 KS  
Mottled Duck 5/3 Gal 3 SWW; 5/3 Jef 1 SWW; 5/13 Jef 4 KS; 5/15 Jef 3 JAW; 5/17 Jef 6 KS; 5/23 Jef 3 JAW; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 15 DS; 5/25 Jef 23 JAW; 5/27 Jef 2 KS; 5/28 Jef 1 JAW; 5/31 Jef 18 JAW  
Blue-winged Teal 5/2 Jef 24 JAW; 5/3 Gal 20 SWW; 5/3 Jef 25 SWW; 5/13 Jef 14 KS; 5/15 Jef 10 JAW; 5/17 Jef 14 KS; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 10 DS; 5/27 Jef 2 KS; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 6 DS  
Northern Shoveler 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 5 DS  
King Eider 5/3 Bra 1 SWW

- Ruddy Duck 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 2 DS  
Swallow-tailed Kite 5/8 Bra 3 RW  
White-tailed Kite 5/2 Jef 1 JAW; 5/3 Bra 2 SWW; 5/3 Gal 1 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/13 Jef 1 KS; 5/16 Jef 1 KLS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/24 Jef 2 EKS; 5/24 Jef 4 JAW; 5/27 Jef 3 KS; 5/28 Jef 4 JAW; 5/31 Jef 2 KS  
Mississippi Kite 5/3 FB 4 SWW; 5/24 FB 2 DS  
Bald Eagle 5/1 Cha 1 DS  
Northern Harrier 5/3 Gal 2 SWW  
Red-shouldered Hawk 5/3 FB 2 SWW; 5/15 Jef 2 JAW; 5/25 Jef 3 JAW; 5/31 Jef 2 JAW  
Broad-winged Hawk 5/10 Jef 1 JAW; 5/31 Jef 1 JAW  
Swainson's Hawk 5/15 Jef 1 JAW  
White-tailed hawk 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 3 DS  
Red-tailed Hawk 5/3 Bra 1 SWW  
Crested Caracara 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 1 DS  
Northern Bobwhite 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/31 Jef 5 JAW  
Yellow Rail 5/1 Cha(ANNWR) 1 DS  
Black Rail 5/1 Cha(ANNWR) 1 DS  
King Rail 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 2 DS  
Virginia Rail 5/1 Cha(ANNWR) 1 DS  
Sora 5/13 Jef 1 KS  
Purple Gallinule 5/3 FB 1 SWW; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 15 DS  
Common Moorhen 5/2 Jef 4 JAW; 5/3 FB 3 SWW; 5/3 Jef 1 SWW; 5/13 Jef 4 KS; 5/15 Jef 1 JAW; 5/24 Jef 4 EKS; 5/25 Jef 1 JAW; 5/27 Jef 6 KS; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 5 DS  
American Coot 5/2 Jef 25 JAW; 5/3 FB 20 SWW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 300 DS  
Black-bellied Plover 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 19 JAW; 5/3 Jef 1 SWW; 5/13 Jef 7 KS; 5/15 Jef 1 JAW; 5/22 Gal(San Luis Pass) 10 MA  
American Golden-Plover 5/10 Bra 2 RW  
Snowy Plover 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 4 JAW; 5/10 Gal(BF) 1 JWR  
Wilson's Plover 5/22 Gal(San Luis Pass) 3 MA  
Semipalmated Plover 5/3 Gal 1 SWW; 5/22 Gal(San Luis Pass) 26 MA  
Piping Plover 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 4 JAW; 5/3 Gal 1 SWW  
Killdeer 5/2 Jef 5 JAW; 5/3 Cha 1 SWW; 5/3 Gal 1 SWW; 5/3 Jef 5 SWW; 5/10 Jef 5 JAW; 5/13 Jef 1 KS; 5/15 Jef 18 JAW; 5/17 Jef 5 KS; 5/23 Jef 1 JAW; 5/25 Jef 17 JAW; 5/27 Jef 2 KS; 5/28 Jef 1 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 1 DS; 5/31 Jef 13 JAW  
American Oystercatcher 5/3 Gal 2 SWW  
Black-necked Stilt 5/2 Jef 15 JAW; 5/3 Gal 12 SWW; 5/3 Jef 50 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/13 Jef 12 KS; 5/15 Jef 32 JAW; 5/23 Jef 1 JAW; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 35 DS; 5/25 Jef 9 JAW; 5/28 Jef 1 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 11 DS; 5/31 Jef 2 JAW  
American Avocet 5/3 Gal 3 SWW  
Greater Yellowlegs 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/3 Jef 1 SWW  
Lesser Yellowlegs 5/2 Jef 12 JAW; 5/3 Bra 1 SWW; 5/3 Gal 1 SWW; 5/3 Jef 5 SWW; 5/10 Jef 2 JAW; 5/15 Jef 2 JAW  
Solitary Sandpiper 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 1 JAW  
Willet 5/2 Jef 4 JAW; 5/3 Bra 1 SWW; 5/3 Gal 25 SWW; 5/10 Jef 2 JAW; 5/13 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 1 DS; 5/27 Jef 1 KS; 5/28 Jef 1 JAW  
Spotted Sandpiper 5/3 Gal 1 SWW; 5/10 Jef 2 JAW; 5/10 Bra 1 RW  
Whimbrel 5/3 Gal 2 SWW; 5/10 Bra 50 RW; 5/14 Bra 2 RW  
Hudsonian Godwit 5/3 Jef 10 SWW; 5/10 Bra 30 RW; 5/15 Jef 3 JAW  
Marbled Godwit 5/3 Gal 2 SWW  
Ruddy Turnstone 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 8 JAW; 5/3 Bra 5 SWW; 5/3 Gal 6 SWW; 5/10 Bra 1 RW; 5/13 Jef 8 KS; 5/22 Gal(San Luis Pass) 6 MA; 5/22 Bra 1 MA  
Red Knot 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 1 JAW; 5/3 Gal 5 SWW; 5/8 Bra 9 RW  
Sanderling 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 176 JAW; 5/3 Bra 20 SWW; 5/3 Gal 200 SWW; 5/13 Jef 25 KS; 5/22 Gal(San Luis Pass) 17 MA  
Western Sandpiper 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 1 JAW; 5/13 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
Least Sandpiper 5/2 Jef 10 JAW; 5/3 Jef 2 SWW; 5/13 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/15 Jef 4 JAW  
White-rumped Sandpiper 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 1 JAW; 5/10 Bra 1,000 RW; 5/22 Bra(BRNWR) 9 MA  
Baird's Sandpiper 5/22 Bra(BRNWR) 2 MA  
Pectoral Sandpiper 5/2 Jef 1 JAW; 5/10 Bra 25 RW  
Stilt Sandpiper 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Bra 6 RW  
Buff-breasted Sandpiper 5/14 Bra 2 RW  
Short-billed Dowitcher 5/10 Bra 8 RW  
Long-billed Dowitcher 5/3 Jef 50 SWW; 5/22 Bra(BRNWR) 1 MA; 5/22 Bra 2 MA  
Wilson's Phalarope 5/3 Jef 8 SWW; 5/13 Jef 1 KS  
Laughing Gull 5/2 Jef 51 JAW; 5/3 Gal 153 SWW; 5/15 Jef 30 JAW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 18 KS; 5/24 Jef 8 EKS; 5/24 Jef 2 JAW; 5/25 Jef 2 JAW; 5/27 Jef 14 KS  
Franklin's Gull 5/10 Gal(BF) 2 JWR  
Ring-billed Gull 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 1 JAW  
Herring Gull 5/3 Gal 5 SWW  
Thayer's Gull 5/1 Gal 1 BF GM  
Caspian Tern 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 2 JAW; 5/3 Gal 2 SWW; 5/13 Jef 30 KS  
Royal Tern 5/3 Gal 50 SWW; 5/13 Jef 9 KS  
Sandwich Tern 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 2 JAW; 5/3 Gal 4 SWW  
Common Tern 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 25 JAW; 5/14 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW  
Forster's Tern 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 400 JAW; 5/3 Gal 10 SWW  
Least Tern 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 15 JAW; 5/3 Gal 100 SWW; 5/10 Jef 3 JAW; 5/15 Jef 1 JAW; 5/24 Jef 2 JAW; 5/28 Jef 1 JAW  
Black Tern 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 7 JAW; 5/3 Gal 50 SWW; 5/14 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW  
Black Skimmer 5/3 Gal 5 SWW  
**Brown Noddy** 5/1 Gal(BF) 1 GM  
Rock Dove 5/2 Jef 2 JAW; 5/3 Gal 11 SWW; 5/10 Ora 12 KS; 5/15 Jef 3 JAW; 5/17 Ora 12 KS; 5/23 Jef 2 JAW; 5/24 Ora 15 EKS; 5/24 Jef 1 JAW; 5/25 Jef 12 JAW; 5/27 Ora 15 KS; 5/31 Jef 4 JAW  
White-winged Dove 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/3 Gal 10 SWW; 5/13 Jef 1 KS; 5/31 Jef 5 KS  
Mourning Dove 5/1 Jef 2 JAW; 5/2 Jef 21 JAW; 5/3 Bra 2 SWW; 5/3 Cha 1 SWW; 5/3 Gal 2 SWW; 5/3 Jef 8 SWW; 5/10 Jef 9 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/13 Jef 2 KS; 5/15 Jef 55 JAW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/23 Jef 12 JAW; 5/24 Jef(SW) 2 EKS; 5/24 Jef 7 JAW; 5/25 Jef 64 JAW; 5/27 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/27 Ora 2 KS; 5/28 Jef 4 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 3 DS; 5/31 Jef 40 JAW; 5/31 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
Inca Dove 5/2 Jef 2 JAW; 5/3 Gal 2 SWW; 5/16 Ora 2 KLS; 5/24 Ora 2 EKS; 5/24 Jef 2 JAW; 5/25 Jef 4 JAW; 5/27 Ora 2 KS; 5/28 Jef 2 JAW; 5/31 Jef 1 JAW  
Black-billed Cuckoo 5/13 Jef 1 KS  
Yellow-billed Cuckoo 5/2 Jef 3 JAW; 5/10 Jef 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 4 KS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 6 EKS; 5/24 Ora 2 EKS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/27 Jef(SW) 4 KS; 5/27 Ora 2 KS; 5/31 Jef 8 JAW  
Barn Owl 5/13 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/17 Jef 1 KS  
Barred Owl 5/24 Ora 1 EKS  
Common Nighthawk 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/16 Jef 10 KLS; 5/17 Jef 5 KS; 5/24 Jef 2 EKS; 5/24 Ora 1 EKS; 5/24 Jef 1 JAW; 5/27 Jef 2 KS; 5/27 Ora 1 KS; 5/28 Jef 1 JAW; 5/31 Jef 6 JAW; 5/31 Jef 2 KS  
Chimney Swift 5/2 Jef 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef 8 JAW; 5/10 Ora 4 KS; 5/13 Jef 2 KS; 5/13 Ora 4 KS; 5/15 Jef 3 JAW; 5/16 Ora 6 KLS; 5/17 Ora 4 KS; 5/25 Jef 4 JAW; 5/27 Ora 6 KS; 5/28 Jef 2 JAW; 5/31 Jef 12 JAW  
hummingbird species 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/3 FB 1 SWW  
Ruby-throated Hummingbird 5/10 Jef(SW) 4 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/10 Ora 2 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/13 Ora 2 KS; 5/16 Jef(SW) 2 KLS; 5/16 Ora 2 KLS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/17 Ora 2 KS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 4 EKS; 5/24 Ora 2 EKS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/27 Jef 3 KS; 5/27 Ora 2 KS; 5/31 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
Red-headed Woodpecker 5/10 Ora 1 KS; 5/13 Ora 1 KS; 5/16 Ora 1 KLS; 5/17 Ora 1 KS; 5/24 Ora 1 EKS; 5/27 Ora 1 KS  
Red-bellied Woodpecker 5/3 Bra 1 SWW; 5/3 FB 3 SWW; 5/3 Jef 1 SWW; 5/10 Ora 2 KS; 5/13 Ora 2 KS; 5/15 Jef 2 JAW; 5/16 Ora 2 KLS; 5/17 Ora 2 KS; 5/21 Jef(TP) 1 JAW; 5/24 Ora 2 EKS; 5/27 Ora 2 KS; 5/31 Jef 12 JAW  
Downy Woodpecker 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/3 FB 1 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 0 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 2 EKS; 5/27 Jef(SW) 3 KS; 5/31 Jef 2 JAW; 5/31 Jef(SW) 4 KS  
Pileated Woodpecker 5/24 Ora 1 EKS  
Olive-sided Flycatcher 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
Eastern Wood-Pewee 5/2 Jef(SW) 4 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/13 Jef(SW) 4 KS; 5/16 Jef(SW) 1 KLS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 4 KS; 5/24 Jef 10 EKS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/27 Jef 14 KS; 5/28 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/31 Jef 8 KS  
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher 5/2 Jef(SW) 3 JAW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
Acadian Flycatcher 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
Traill's Flycatcher 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SRSP) 1 JAW; 5/11 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW; 5/24 Jef(SW) 1 JAW  
Least Flycatcher 5/2 Jef 3 JAW; 5/13 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
Hammond's Flycatcher 5/1 Bra(SBNWR) 1 MBS  
empidonax flycatcher 5/2 Jef(SW) 3 JAW; 5/10 Jef 3 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/13 Jef 1 KS; 5/16 Jef 3 KLS; 5/17 Jef 8 KS  
Great Crested Flycatcher 5/13 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW; 5/31 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
Couch's Kingbird 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/16 Jef(SRSP) 1 KLS  
Western Kingbird 5/9 Bra(Quintana) 2 JL; 5/10

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Eastern Kingbird 5/2 Jef 14 JAW; 5/3 Cha 1 SWW; 5/3 Gal 4 SWW; 5/3 Jef 3 SWW; 5/10 Jef 23 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 8 KS; 5/13 Jef 20 KS; 5/15 Jef 26 JAW; 5/16 Jef 6 KLS; 5/17 Jef 16 KS; 5/23 Jef 10 JAW; 5/24 Jef 14 EKS; 5/24 Jef 2 JAW; 5/25 Jef 15 JAW; 5/27 Jef 14 KS; 5/28 Jef 7 JAW; 5/31 Jef 9 JAW; 5/31 Jef 8 KS  
 Scissor-tailed Flycatcher 5/2 Jef 8 JAW; 5/3 Bra 4 SWW; 5/3 FB 4 SWW; 5/3 Gal 7 SWW; 5/10 Jef 13 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/13 Jef 10 KS; 5/15 Jef 16 JAW; 5/16 Jef 4 KLS; 5/17 Jef 12 KS; 5/23 Jef 2 JAW; 5/24 Jef 14 EKS; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 2 DS; 5/25 Jef 10 JAW; 5/27 Jef 10 KS; 5/28 Jef 2 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 3 DS; 5/31 Jef 1 JAW; 5/31 Jef 4 KS  
 Loggerhead Shrike 5/1 Jef 1 JAW; 5/2 Jef 5 JAW; 5/3 Bra 2 SWW; 5/3 Gal 3 SWW; 5/3 Jef 3 SWW; 5/3 Jef 1 SWW; 5/10 Jef 3 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/13 Jef 6 KS; 5/15 Jef 35 JAW; 5/17 Jef 12 KS; 5/23 Jef 22 JAW; 5/24 Jef 16 EKS; 5/24 Jef 3 JAW; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 3 DS; 5/25 Jef 29 JAW; 5/27 Jef 12 KS; 5/28 Jef 3 JAW; 5/31 Jef 17 JAW; 5/31 Jef 4 KS  
 White-eyed Vireo 5/2 Jef(SW) 3 JAW; 5/3 FB 3 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 3 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/21 Jef(TP) 1 JAW; 5/31 Jef 11 JAW  
 Yellow-throated Vireo 5/13 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Warbling Vireo 5/19 Bra(Quintana) 1 TSC  
 Philadelphia Vireo 5/2 Jef(SW) 5 JAW; 5/16 Jef 1 KLS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Red-eyed Vireo 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/16 Jef 4 KLS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 10 KS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 2 EKS; 5/27 Jef(SW) 5 KS; 5/28 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW; 5/31 Jef 2 JAW; 5/31 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Blue Jay 5/1 Jef 1 JAW; 5/2 Jef 14 JAW; 5/3 Jef 2 SWW; 5/10 Jef 6 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 12 KS; 5/13 Jef 11 KS; 5/15 Jef 7 JAW; 5/16 Jef(SW) 2 KLS; 5/17 Jef 11 KS; 5/23 Jef 4 JAW; 5/24 Jef(SW) 10 EKS; 5/24 Jef 11 JAW; 5/25 Jef 8 JAW; 5/27 Jef 20 KS; 5/27 Ora 4 KS; 5/28 Jef 5 JAW; 5/31 Jef 10 JAW; 5/31 Jef 14 KS  
 American Crow 5/3 Bra 2 SWW; 5/3 Cha 1 SWW; 5/3 Jef 1 SWW; 5/13 Jef 15 KS; 5/15 Jef 1 JAW; 5/24 Ora 2 EKS; 5/25 Jef 2 JAW; 5/27 Ora 2 KS; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 2 DS; 5/31 Jef 9 JAW  
 Fish Crow 5/2 Jef 1 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 4 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 4 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/24 Jef 1 JAW; 5/25 Jef 2 JAW; 5/28 Jef(SW) 1 JAW  
 crow species 5/2 Jef 7 JAW; 5/10 Jef 2 JAW; 5/23 Jef 1 JAW  
 Purple Martin 5/2 Jef 10 JAW; 5/3 Gal 3 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/10 Ora 6 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 10 KS; 5/15 Jef 18 JAW; 5/16 Jef(SW) 2 KLS; 5/16 Ora 6 KLS; 5/17 Jef 20 KS; 5/17 Ora 6 KS; 5/23 Jef 16 JAW; 5/24 Jef 18 EKS; 5/24 Ora 8 EKS; 5/25 Jef 12 JAW; 5/27 Jef 14 KS; 5/27 Ora 6 KS; 5/28 Jef 3 JAW; 5/31 Jef 26 JAW; 5/31 Jef 10 KS  
 Tree Swallow 5/2 Jef(SW) 3 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 10 KS; 5/13 Jef 10 KS; 5/13 Ora 6 KS; 5/17 Jef 20 KS; 5/24 Jef 2 EKS; 5/27 Jef 2 KS  
 Northern Rough-winged Swallow 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW  
 Bank Swallow 5/10 Jef 12 JAW  
 Cliff Swallow 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 9 JAW; 5/3 Bra 12 SWW

Cave Swallow 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 1 JAW  
 Barn Swallow 5/2 Jef 16 JAW; 5/3 Gal 1 SWW; 5/3 Jef 1 SWW; 5/10 Jef 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 4 KS; 5/13 Jef 20 KS; 5/15 Jef 14 JAW; 5/17 Jef 14 KS; 5/23 Jef 7 JAW; 5/24 Jef 2 JAW; 5/25 Jef 3 JAW; 5/31 Jef 6 JAW; 5/31 Jef 6 KS  
 Carolina Chickadee 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/15 Jef 2 JAW; 5/21 Jef(TP) 1 JAW; 5/27 Ora 2 KS; 5/31 Jef 1 JAW  
 Carolina Wren 5/21 Jef(TP) 1 JAW; 5/24 Ora 4 EKS; 5/27 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/27 Ora 4 KS; 5/31 Jef 6 JAW  
 Marsh Wren 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Bra(SBNWR) 2 RW; 5/13 Jef 1 KS; 5/31 Jef 3 JAW  
 Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/3 FB 1 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Eastern Bluebird 5/10 Ora 2 KS; 5/13 Ora 2 KS; 5/16 Ora 2 KLS; 5/17 Ora 2 KS; 5/24 Ora 2 EKS; 5/27 Ora 2 KS; 5/31 Jef 2 JAW  
 Veery 5/2 Jef(SW) 5 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 10 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 10 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 10 KS; 5/19 Bra(Quintana) 1 TSC  
 Gray-cheeked Thrush 5/2 Jef 14 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 5 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 8 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Swainson's Thrush 5/2 Jef(SW) 5 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 5 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 12 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 18 KS; 5/17 Jef 13 KS; 5/19 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW; 5/24 Jef(SW) 2 EKS  
 Wood Thrush 5/2 Jef(SW) 11 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 3 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/19 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW  
 American Robin 5/1 Jef 2 JAW; 5/2 Jef 3 JAW; 5/10 Jef 1 JAW; 5/16 Ora 2 KLS; 5/17 Ora 2 KS; 5/24 Ora 2 EKS; 5/24 Jef 4 JAW; 5/25 Jef 1 JAW; 5/27 Ora 2 KS  
 Gray Catbird 5/2 Jef(SW) 34 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 7 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 18 KS; 5/13 Jef 7 KS; 5/16 Jef 1 KLS; 5/17 Jef 5 KS; 5/19 Bra(Quintana) 1 TSC; 5/24 Jef(SW) 4 EKS; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 1 DS; 5/25 Gal(HI) 1 DS; 5/27 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Northern Mockingbird 5/1 Jef 2 JAW; 5/2 Jef 10 JAW; 5/3 Bra 9 SWW; 5/3 FB 1 SWW; 5/3 Gal 4 SWW; 5/3 Jef 5 SWW; 5/10 Jef 4 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/10 Ora 4 KS; 5/13 Jef 4 KS; 5/15 Jef 125 JAW; 5/17 Jef 10 KS; 5/23 Jef 53 JAW; 5/24 Jef 12 EKS; 5/24 Ora 4 EKS; 5/24 Jef 3 JAW; 5/25 Jef 94 JAW; 5/27 Jef 20 KS; 5/27 Ora 2 KS; 5/28 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 4 DS; 5/31 Jef 32 JAW; 5/31 Jef 10 KS  
 Brown Thrasher 5/2 Jef(SW) 4 JAW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 European Starling 5/2 Jef 24 JAW; 5/3 Bra 20 SWW; 5/3 FB 1 SWW; 5/3 Gal 20 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 10 KS; 5/15 Jef 14 JAW; 5/17 Jef 32 KS; 5/23 Jef 7 JAW; 5/24 Jef 40 EKS; 5/24 Ora 2 EKS; 5/24 Jef 23 JAW; 5/25 Jef 14 JAW; 5/27 Jef 60 KS; 5/31 Jef 17 JAW; 5/31 Jef(SW) 40 KS  
 Cedar Waxwing 5/2 Jef(SW) 15 JAW  
 Lawrence's Warbler hybrid 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Tennessee Warbler 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/11 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW  
 Orange-crowned Warbler 5/5 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW  
 Northern Parula 5/3 FB 1 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW)

1 KS; 5/16 Bra(Quintana) 1 TSC; 5/21 Jef(TP) 1 JAW; 5/24 Jef(SW) 1 JAW  
 Yellow Warbler 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SRSP) 3 JAW; 5/13 Jef 1 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 1 EKS; 5/25 Bra(Quintana) 1 DV  
 Chestnut-sided Warbler 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/14 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 3 KS; 5/31 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Magnolia Warbler 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 9 KS; 5/22 Bra(Quintana) 2 MA; 5/22 Bra(Quintana) 2 RW  
 Cape May Warbler 5/19 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW  
 Black-throated Blue Warbler 5/11 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW  
 Black-throated Green Warbler 5/2 Jef(SW) 3 JAW; 5/9 Bra(Quintana) 1 JL; 5/10 Jef(SW) 3 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/31 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Blackburnian Warbler 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/27 Jef(SW) 2 KS  
 Pine Warbler 5/31 Jef 1 JAW  
 Bay-breasted Warbler 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 4 KS; 5/13 Jef 3 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Blackpoll Warbler 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/25 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW  
 Cerulean Warbler 5/16 Gal 1 MA; 5/17 Bra(Quintana) 1 TSC  
 Black-and-white Warbler 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/19 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW  
 American Redstart 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/13 Jef 3 KS; 5/13 Ora 2 KS; 5/16 Jef 1 KLS; 5/17 Jef 8 KS; 5/17 Ora 2 KS; 5/22 Bra(Quintana) 1 MA; 5/27 Bra(Quintana) 3 RW  
 Prothonotary Warbler 5/3 FB 3 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/13 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/24 Jef 1 EKS  
 Worm-eating Warbler 5/10 Jef(SW) 3 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS  
 Ovenbird 5/2 Jef(SW) 3 JAW; 5/11 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW  
 Northern Waterthrush 5/2 Jef(SW) 5 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/14 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Louisiana Waterthrush 5/13 Jef 1 KS  
 Kentucky Warbler 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Mourning Warbler 5/10 Bra(Quintana) 1 WP; 5/13 Bra(Quintana) 1 RKL; 5/16 Bra(Quintana) 1 JH; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Common Yellowthroat 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/3 FB 1 SWW; 5/10 Jef 3 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 4 KS; 5/13 Jef 8 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 4 KS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 8 EKS; 5/27 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/31 Jef 5 JAW; 5/31 Jef(SW) 4 KS  
 Hooded Warbler 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/31 Jef 3 JAW  
 Wilson's Warbler 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Canada Warbler 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 8 KS  
 Yellow-breasted Chat 5/2 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/5 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Summer Tanager 5/2 Jef(SW) 7 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/16 Jef 1 KLS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 1 EKS

Scarlet Tanager 5/2 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/9 Bra(Quintana) 1 COB; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 4 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/16 Jef 1 KLS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 4 KS  
 Western Tanager 5/9 Bra(Quintana) 1 JL; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Eastern Towhee 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Chipping sparrow 5/10 Cha 2 JWR; 5/10 Bra(SBNWR) 3 RW  
 Lark Sparrow 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 1 JAW; 5/10 Bra(SBNWR) 2 RW  
 Savannah Sparrow 5/3 Gal 2 SWW  
 Sharp-tailed Sparrow species 5/10 Gal(BF) 1 JWR; 5/10 Cha 1 JWR  
 Seaside Sparrow 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 50 DS  
 Lincoln's Sparrow 5/6 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW  
 White-crowned Sparrow 5/10 Bra(SBNWR) 1 RKL  
 Northern Cardinal 5/2 Jef 4 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 10 KS; 5/10 Ora 2 KS; 5/13 Jef 22 KS; 5/15 Jef 8 JAW; 5/17 Jef 12 KS; 5/17 Ora 2 KS; 5/21 Jef(TP) 5 JAW; 5/23 Jef 5 JAW; 5/24 Jef(SW) 12 EKS; 5/24 Jef 3 JAW; 5/25 Jef 15 JAW; 5/27 Jef(SW) 10 KS; 5/27 Ora 2 KS; 5/28 Jef 3 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 2 DS; 5/31 Jef 19 JAW; 5/31 Jef 10 KS  
 Rose-breasted Grosbeak 5/2 Jef(SW) 7 JAW; 5/13 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/13 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW; 5/16 Jef 4 KLS  
 Blue Grosbeak 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Indigo Bunting 5/2 Jef(SW) 10 JAW; 5/3 Bra 4 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 14 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/13 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/14 Bra(Quintana) 1 RW; 5/16 Jef 30 KLS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 12 KS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 6 EKS; 5/27 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Painted Bunting 5/9 Bra(Quintana) 1 TSC; 5/10 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/13 Jef 1 KS; 5/16 Bra(SBNWR) 1 COB; 5/24 Jef(SW) 1 KS  
 Dickcissel 5/2 Jef 7 JAW; 5/3 Gal 12 SWW; 5/10 Jef 8 JAW; 5/13 Jef 80 KS; 5/15 Jef 8 JAW; 5/16 Jef 40 KLS; 5/17 Jef 40 KS; 5/17 Ora 40 KS; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 10 DS; 5/25 Jef 4 JAW; 5/27 Jef 30 KS; 5/28 Jef 3 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 4 DS; 5/31 Jef 6 JAW  
 Red-winged Blackbird 5/2 Jef 2 JAW; 5/3 FB 15 SWW; 5/10 Jef 5 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 10 KS; 5/15 Jef 35 JAW; 5/16 Jef 20 KLS; 5/17 Jef 40 KS; 5/17 Ora 40 KS; 5/23 Jef 10 JAW; 5/24 Jef(SW) 25 EKS; 5/25 Jef 70 JAW; 5/27 Jef 50 KS; 5/28 Jef 25 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 15 DS; 5/31 Jef 55 JAW; 5/31 Jef 40 KS  
 Eastern Meadowlark 5/1 Jef 1 JAW; 5/2 Jef(SRSP) 3 JAW; 5/3 Bra 1 SWW; 5/3 Gal 2 SWW; 5/3 Jef 1 SWW; 5/10 Jef 1 JAW; 5/15 Jef 25 JAW; 5/16 Jef 2 KLS; 5/17 Jef 24 KS; 5/17 Ora 20 KS; 5/23 Jef 15 JAW; 5/25 Jef 26 JAW; 5/27 Jef 10 KS; 5/28 Jef 1 JAW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 4 DS; 5/31 Jef 46 JAW; 5/31 Jef 10 KS  
 meadowlark species 5/3 Bra 2 SWW; 5/3 Cha 1 SWW; 5/3 FB 1 SWW; 5/3 Gal 2 SWW; 5/3 Jef 3 SWW; 5/31 Col(ATNWR) 5 DS  
 Yellow-headed Blackbird 5/10 Gal(HI) 1 JWR  
 Common Grackle 5/1 Jef 5 JAW; 5/2 Jef 7 JAW; 5/3 Jef 7 SWW; 5/10 Jef 15 JAW; 5/15 Jef 35 JAW; 5/17 Jef 8 KS; 5/17 Ora 6 KS; 5/23 Jef 71 JAW; 5/24 Jef(SW) 2 EKS; 5/24 Jef 6 JAW; 5/25 Jef 34 JAW; 5/27 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/28 Jef 23 JAW; 5/31 Jef 88 JAW; 5/31 Jef(SW) 6 KS

Boat-tailed Grackle 5/2 Jef 36 JAW; 5/3 FB 10 SWW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 KS; 5/17 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/17 Ora 10 KS; 5/27 Jef 2 KS; 5/31 Jef 3 JAW  
 Great-tailed Grackle 5/2 Jef 29 JAW; 5/3 Bra 20 SWW; 5/15 Jef 3 JAW; 5/23 Jef 13 JAW; 5/24 Jef(SW) 6 EKS; 5/24 Jef 3 JAW; 5/25 Jef 22 JAW; 5/27 Jef 10 KS; 5/31 Jef 15 JAW; 5/31 Jef 16 KS  
 Brown-headed Cowbird 5/2 Jef(SW) 6 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/15 Jef 5 JAW; 5/16 Jef 2 KLS; 5/17 Jef 28 KS; 5/17 Ora 12 KS; 5/23 Jef 1 JAW; 5/24 Jef 1 JAW; 5/25 Jef 3 JAW; 5/27 Jef 17 KS; 5/31 Jef 13 JAW  
 Orchard Oriole 5/2 Jef 11 JAW; 5/10 Jef 5 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 6 KS; 5/13 Jef 18 KS; 5/16 Jef 6 KLS; 5/17 Jef 20 KS; 5/17 Ora 12 KS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 6 EKS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/25 Cha(ANNWR) 10 DS; 5/27 Jef 18 KS; 5/28 Jef(SW) 1 JAW; 5/31 Jef 1 JAW; 5/31 Jef 8 KS  
 Baltimore Oriole 5/2 Jef 11 JAW; 5/10 Jef(SW) 2 JAW; 5/11 Bra(Quintana) 2 RW; 5/17 Jef(SW) 1 KS; 5/24 Jef(SW) 1 JAW  
 American Goldfinch 5/4 Bra(Lake Jackson) 1 TSC  
 House Sparrow 5/1 Jef 2 JAW; 5/2 Jef 2 JAW; 5/3 Cha 2 SWW; 5/3 Gal 4 SWW; 5/3 Jef 1 SWW; 5/3 Jef 1 SWW; 5/10 Jef 3 JAW; 5/10 Ora 6 KS; 5/13 Jef 2 KS; 5/13 Ora 6 KS; 5/15 Jef 8 JAW; 5/16 Ora 6 KLS; 5/17 Jef 2 KS; 5/17 Ora 2 KS; 5/24 Ora 6 EKS; 5/24 Jef 3 JAW; 5/25 Jef 11 JAW; 5/27 Jef 2 KS; 5/27 Ora 6 KS; 5/28 Jef 2 JAW; 5/31 Jef 3 JAW; 5/31 Jef 2 KS

**King Eider** May 3, 1998 Quintana Beach. Large duck, with typical long flat eider head profile, with slight "knob" beginning to form on forehead just behind the upper mandible. Black overall, except for white breast, sharply demarcated with the black, and traces of white on the sides of the rump. An inverted "V" shaped facial patch was beginning to show lighter coloration. Bill was reddish as if the red color was just developing. Legs were dull yellowish? *John Whittle*

**Thayer's Gull** May 1, 1998 Bolivar Flats. An exceptionally pale first-year bird (this bird could well be identified as an Iceland Gull) associating with immature Herring Gulls. This bird appeared to be the slightly smaller than most of the nearby immature Herring Gulls, has a delicate looking rounded head, and an almost entirely black bill (there was a small amount of pink at the very base of the bill). The entire bird appeared mostly white, but upon close inspection, it was obvious that the feathers were worn and faded. The eyes were dark and the legs and feet were bright pink. When this bird was seen well in flight, it was clear that the entire underside of the wings, including the under-side of the primaries, were white. However, from the upper-side, it was clear that the primaries were very pale brown with even paler brown to whitish worn edges, and that there was a broad uniform pale brown terminal band on the tail that matched

that on Thayer's Gulls. *Guy McCaskie*

**Brown Noddy**, May 1, 1998, Bolivar Flats. Extensive notes received from Guy McCaskie via TBRC, to extensive to print.

**Hammond's Flycatcher**, May 1, 1998 San Bernard NWR. The bill appears to be proportionately short, with a pale base to the lower mandible only, not the entire mandible.

The eyering is not as bold as I initially thought, but is wider towards the back of the eye, and also shows more lighter coloration in the loreal area. From the back (and this could be due to lighting) there appears to be a grayer look to the head as compared to the back, which is browner. Underneath, there's a definite white throat/dusky chest/yellowish belly pattern. There appears to be no white between the dusky chest and yellowish belly (notice I say "yellowish"

rather than "yellow"; it's a very pale wash), except for perhaps a couple of feathers. The yellowish extends all the way to the undertail coverts. The wingbars appear white. I'm not strong at all on judging primary extension, but this could be the only glitch in the "Least" ID: the primaries DO appear to be longer than shown in the book (NG Guide). The tail doesn't appear inordinately short or long to me; it does have a slight notch. *Mary Beth Stowe*

**Couch's Kingbird**, May 10, 1998 Sabine Woods. Shape/Size: Tyrannus Kingbird. Color/markings: Gray head, nape and throat, brownish black wings, yellow lower breast and belly. Noticeable dark gray patch from bill through eye extending behind eye. Tail: Brownish, slightly notched. Did not have white outer edges, and was not dark black. Bill: Relatively massive bill, black, thick but pointed. *John Whittle*

**Couch's Kingbird**, 16 May 1998 willows at Sea Rim State Park. A flycatcher, Tyrannus type, was seen perched and actively fly catching. Bird had dark ear coverts with an eye-stripe of like effect. and dark lores. Bird had a gray head, yellow (lemon like) belly and breast. The throat was white. Bird had a fairly large bill. Bird had a dark tail, somewhat notched with no white seen from any angle. Observation time 20 minutes. *Ken Sztraky*

**Lawrence's Warbler**, 10 May 98 Bird was in low to medium brush actively feeding. Bird was all yellow-green in color. Bird had a darker back, nape and wings. Bird had a pale black throat and ear coverts. Bird had yellow-white paired wing bars. Bird was photographed frontal and under-tail coverts. *Ken Sztraky*

**Cerulean Warbler**, May 16, 1998 Friendswood, Galveston County. Bird first caught my attention because of its persistent singing - five introductory buzzy notes followed by a higher pitched, horse buzzy trill. Seen twice, feeding in oaks 10'-30' off ground for perhaps 14 seconds in total with 7x42 binoculars: white underparts with black "necklace" on upper breast, distinct black streaks on sides.



**Hawking Hawk Watch '98**

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Last year observers counted nearly 43,000 raptors of 19 species during 94 days of observation between 17 August and 20 November. Highlights included:

- 860 observer hours were logged, nearly tripling the 1996 effort of 290 hours;

- Broad-winged Hawks comprised 71% of the total count (30,417 birds).

- Species representing more than 1% of the remaining total: 4,780 Sharp-shinned Hawks (11%), 2,124 Mississippi Kites (5%), 1,297 American Kestrels (3%), 1,225 Turkey Vultures (2.8%), 1,137 Cooper's Hawks (2.6%), and 445 Northern Harriers (1%).

- The count of 40 Swallow-tailed Kites was noteworthy, as was the tally of 6 Crested Caracaras, near the northeastern extent of their range in the United States.

- Observers counted 3 Golden Eagles, the first recorded in the history of the site, as well as 2 Bald Eagles.

- The combined-species annual passage rate was 4,998.5 raptors per 100 hours of observation

- The one-day high count was 9,461 birds on 26

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