

Field Notes: November-December 2020

Red-bellied Woodpecker, White-winged Crossbill, Lapland Longspur, Hermit Warbler

A number of "good" birds were found during the period, as has been the case for the last few months. We assume it has to do with people staying closer to home because of the pandemic.

Abbreviations: Fern Ridge Reservoir (FRR), South Jetty of the Siuslaw River (SJSR), Springfield (Spfd)

SWANS TO OWLS

Wood Duck (40+)	Dec 21	U of O	KL	Going to roost in trees at dusk
Lesser Scaup (2)	Dec 22	Hills Ck reservoir	JG	Uncommon for this location
Long-tailed Duck (1-3)	Nov-Dec	Siuslaw River mouth	M.ob	Seen throughout the period
Common Goldeneye (2)	Nov 7	Amazon Creek	NC	An unusual location
Common Goldeneye (12)	Dec 22	Hills Creek Reservoir	JG	A large number for this location
Horned Grebe (8)	Dec 22	Hills Creek Reservoir	JG	A large number for this location
Red-necked Grebe (20)	Nov 20	Siuslaw River mouth	KL	A large number for Lane
Band-tailed Pigeon	Nov 8	Florence	CH,ES	Rarely found in the winter
Western Sandpiper	Nov 15	Siltcoos River mouth	DF	Rare during the winter in Lane
Red Phalarope	Dec 17	Siuslaw River mouth	KN,WW	Much later than normal
Ancient Murrelet (3)	Nov 20	Siuslaw River mouth	KL	Rarely found in river, normally at sea
Franklin's Gull	Nov 7	SJSR	CH,ES	Rare for Lane
Glaucous Gull	Dec 23	SJSR	MC	First report for the winter season
American Bittern	Dec 17	FRR - Royal Ave	EC	Uncommon in the winter
Snowy Egret	Nov 14	FRR dam area	A&DH	Unusual for Lane - seen through Dec
Osprey	Nov 30	Lower McKenzie Rvr	RR	They winter some years in the valley
White-tailed Kite	Nov-Dec	FRR		Almost no reports this winter so far!
Swainson's Hawk	Nov 20	Cantrell Rd area	A&DH	Rare in Lane, especially in the fall
Short-eared Owl (3)	Nov 22	FRR - Royal Ave	RR	Good numbers for one location

WOODPECKERS TO THRUSHES

Black Phoebe (5)	Dec 22	Oakridge CBC	JG	High number for that area
Say's Phoebe	Nov 11	Florence - Old Town	FT	Uncommon along the Lane coast
Tropical Kingbird (2)	Nov 8	Florence	CH,ES	Almost annual in late fall
Tropical Kingbird	Dec 12	Florence	PA	Last date it was seen
Northern Shrike	Dec 4	SJSR Deflation Plain	AC	First winter report from this area
Cassin's Vireo	Dec 13	Willamette R-bike path	NG	Very late report for this species - photo
Tree/Violet-green Swallow (20)	Dec 12	Delta Pnds/W "D" St	M.ob	Found through the end of the year
Barn Swallow	Dec 15	Delta Ponds	JW	Only reported the one day
House Wren	Nov 12	Springfield	MG	A very late sighting - photos
American Dipper	Nov 30	McKenzie River, Spfd	RR	An unusual sighting from the valley
Swainson's Thrush	Nov 22	Dexter Res	AC,RH	A very late sighting - photos
Northern Mockingbird	Nov 1	Mt Pisgah	DA	An almost annual wintering species
Northern Mockingbird	Nov 17	SJSR area	KN,WW	Found in Oct, seen through end of year

SPARROWS TO GROSBEAKS

White-winged Crossbill (2)	Dec 4	Gold Lake area	RN	Rare in Lane
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White-winged Crossbill (20)	Dec 22	Salmon Creek area	BA	Rare in Lane - a good year for them
Pine Siskin (800+)	Nov 14	Eugene	DB	Very large numbers at feeders in the area
Lapland Longspur	Nov 8	Baker Beach	CH	Normal migration time along the coast
Lapland Longspur	Nov 23	Eugene airport area	SH	Rare in the valley
Snow Bunting	Nov 11	SJSR	RN	Good time to find this species at the coast
Chipping Sparrow	Nov 13	Eugene	DA	A late report for this species - photos
Swamp Sparrow	Dec 1	FRR - Kirk Pond	RA	Small numbers normally found in winter
Orange-crowned Warbler	Nov 25	Eugene - near UO	KL	A rare wintering species in the valley
Orange-crowned Warbler (2)	Dec 3	River Rd area	RH	Gray-headed subspecies
Orange-crowned Warbler	Dec 4	Eugene	EC	I'm not sure why so many reports?
Orange-crowned Warbler	Dec 4	Coburg Rd area	BG	Late migration, I assume
Palm Warbler	Nov 29	Ada Grange	LW,NT	Small numbers normal along coast
Hermit Warbler	Dec 24	Springfield	RR	Rare in the winter
Western Tanager (2)	Nov 4	River Rd area	RH	Very late for this breeding species
Western Tanager (2)	Nov 4	FRR - Kirk Pond	RA	Interesting that 2 birds were found today

Late Report

Red-bellied WoodpeckerLate Aug..... Row River TrailWM.....First sighting for Lane, 2nd for Oregon

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