

Field Notes-January 2016

Trumpeter Swan

Prairie Falcon

Wandering Tattler

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

Purple Martin

Bullock's Oriole

January was a more or less normal month weather-wise, with some nice sunny days late in the month—which got some of the resident species to begin singing. As you'll read below, some interesting birds were found during the month.

Abbreviations: Fern Ridge Reservoir (FRR)

WATERBIRDS

Trumpeter Swan (2)	Jan 3	Alvadore area	SH	Unusual this far south in the valley
Cinnamon Teal (2)	Jan 22	Fiddle Creek	NSt	They have wintered in this area
Long-tailed Duck	Jan 1	Florence docks	DP	Seen throughout month
Common Goldeneye (2)	Jan 6	Ferry St Bridge	SH	Not a common location for this species
Green Heron	Jan 6	Springfield	SMc	They occasionally winter
American White Pelican (6+/-)	Jan	FRR - dam	m.ob.	Wintering again this year
Brown Pelican	Jan 7	Sea Lion Caves area	SH, VB	Wintering in the area?

QUAIL to OWLS

Mountain Quail (6)	Jan 15	Upper Camp Ck Rd	SH	A good area for the species
Osprey	Jan	Florence	m.ob.	Seen throughout the month
Osprey	Jan 4	Mt Pisgah	AJ	Seen at least twice during the month
Osprey (3)	Jan 15	Cottage Grove res.	TMo	Still fishing at the reservoir
Osprey	Jan 26	Siltcoos River mouth	KC, DL	A first winter report from this location
Rough-legged Hawk	Jan 2	Emerald Park	VT	An unusual location for this species
Rough-legged Hawk	Jan	FRR - Meadowlark	m.ob.	Seen in high numbers during the month
Golden Eagle	Jan 1	Marcola area	SH	They nest in the area
Prairie Falcon	Jan	W Junction City area	m.ob.	At least two birds wintering in the area

Snowy Plover (90)	Jan 26	Siltcoos River mouth	DL, KC	A record high number for this location
Wandering Tattler	Jan 7	Bob Creek	RR	Second winter record for Lane Co
Barred Owl	mid-Dec	W of downtown Eug	M&MD	Likely sub-adult birds looking for a territory
Barred Owl	Jan 8	River Rd area	TMe	Both only seen the one late afternoon/evening

WOODPECKERS to ORIOLES

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	Jan 5	Celeste Campbell	JC	Seventh record for Lane Co
Purple Martin	Jan 20	FRR	CS	The first winter record for a martin species in Oregon. It could have been one of the Central or South American migratory species
Mountain Chickadee	Jan 4	Creswell	SN	The only report this month
Northern Mockingbird	Jan 26	south Eugene	fide KL	It's been in the area for about three weeks
Common Yellowthroat	Jan 9	west Eugene	BC	They occasionally winter
Swamp Sparrow	Jan 5	FRR - E Coyote	SH	A normal wintering location
Bullock's Oriole (male)	Nov 27	Florence	SK	Last seen Dec 12
Bullock's Oriole (female)	Dec 29	Florence	fide SK	Very rare wintering species

AJ August Jackson, BC Barbara Combs, CS Cody Smith, DL Dave Lauten, DP Diane Pettey, JC Jim Carlson, KC Kathy Castelein, KL Kit Larsen, M&MD Mari & Mark Dembrow, m.ob. many observers, NSt Nancy Stotz, RR Roger Robb, SH Sally Hill, SK Sara Kaul, SMC Scott McNeeley, SN Sally Nelson, TMe Thomas Meinzen, TMO Tori Morgan, VB Vickie Buck, VT Vjera Thompson. **Fide** indicates a sighting that was reported to the listed observer.