

Field Notes: September 2017

Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Rose-throated Pipit, Pigeon Guillemot, Parasitic Jaeger

We finally got some significant rain during the month; otherwise it was warm and sunny. Migration was in full swing, as is normal, with some birds arriving from the north for the winter and others heading south for warmer climes.

Abbreviations: Fern Ridge Reservoir (FRR), North Fork of the Siuslaw River (NFSR), North Jetty of the Siuslaw River (NJSR), South Jetty of the Siuslaw River (SJSR)

WATERBIRDS

Cackling Goose Sept 13 Eugene SMc First report for the winter season - early
Common Goldeneye Sept 23 Eugene JM First report for the winter season - early

VULTURES TO GULLS

Turkey Vulture (117)..... Sept 22 Creswell area NS Moving south - a 10 min count!
American Golden-Plover Sept 22 FRR - HQ pond..... JS Found most years in small numbers
American Avocet Sept 3 NFSR mouth..... JS Rare away from FRR
American Avocet (3) Sept 10 NFSR mouth..... AC,et.al. Rare away from FRR
American Avocet Sept 30 FRR JS A late sighting
Long-billed Curlew Sept 22 FRR SH Annual in small numbers during migration
Marbled Godwit (9)..... Sept 4 FRR - HQ pond..... JS A very large number for inland Lane Co.
Red Knot (2) Sept 3 NFSR mouth..... JS Seen in small numbers during migration
Dunlin Sept 22 FRR JS First report for the winter season
Ruff..... Sept 1 SJSR deflation plain..... JS Rare, but regular migrant in the county
Wilson's Phalarope..... Sept 21 FRR KP..... One of only a handful of reports from Sept
Sabine's Gull..... Sept 9 FRR SH Rare, but regular migrant in the county at FRR
Franklin's Gull Aug 30 Siltcoos Beach DF Rare, but regular migrant in the county
Common Tern (16) Sept 14 FRR RR,JS..... Rare, but regular migrant in the county at FRR
Common Tern..... Sept 16 NJSR..... AC,et.al. Rare, but regular migrant in the county at FRR
Common Tern..... Sept 24 McKenzie River area..... JK Rare, but regular migrant in the county at FRR
Forster's Tern Sept 10 SJSR - crab dock/pier AC,DF Rare in migration
Parasitic Jaeger..... Sept 22 FRR JS Rare away from the coast
Pigeon Guillemot (3) Sept 16 NJSR..... AC,et.al. Not usually reported this time of year

WOODPECKERS TO BLACKBIRDS

Lewis's Woodpecker (3) Sept 17 Mt Pisgah..... JSi Rare, but regular during the fall migration
Western Wood-Pewee Sept 20 Skinner Butte..... LM,et.al. Last report for the breeding season
Willow Flycatcher Sept 7 Eugene EC Last report for the breeding season
Hammond's Flycatcher Sept 6 FRR - Jeans Rd..... LM,et.al. Last report for the breeding season
Gray Jay (3) Sept 18 south hills of Eugene RF..... Sporadic reports from the area
Ruby-crowned Kinglet..... Aug 30 Alton Baker Park LM,et.al. First report for the winter season
Varied Thrush Sept 18 Creswell NS First report for the valley for the winter season
Red-throated Pipit (probable) Sept 26 Siltcoos River mouth AC Only one record for Lane Co.
Lapland Longspur Sept 19 Baker Beach LG Annual along the coast in the fall
Lapland Longspur Sept 24 Siltcoos River mouth WW,CH Annual along the coast in the fall
MacGillivray's Warbler Sept 8 Creswell area TMo..... Last report for the breeding season
Townsend's Warbler Sept 15 South Eugene..... BG First report for the valley for the season

Yellow-breasted Chat	Sept 6	FRR - Jeans Rd.....	LM,et.al.....	Last report for the breeding season
Clay-colored Sparrow.....	Sept 8	FRR - Royal Ave.....	JS, SH.....	Rare, but regular migrant in the county
Clay-colored Sparrow.....	Sept 12	Bob Creek.....	M&SS	Rare, but regular migrant in the county
Fox Sparrow	Sept 14	Creswell area.....	NS	First report for the winter season
White-throated Sparrow	Sept 26	Siltcoos River mouth	AC.....	First report for the winter season
White-throated Sparrow	Sept 27	Oakridge	MLS	First report for the winter season
Golden-crowned Sparrow	Sept 15	Lorane Highway	BCo	First report for the winter season
Western Tanager.....	Sept 20	Skinner Butte.....	LM,et.al.....	Last report for the breeding season
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	Sept 16	Eugene	LM	Rare in county, especially in fall
Black-headed Grosbeak.....	Sept 13	Kirk Park.....	CS.....	Last report for the breeding season
Lazuli Bunting.....	Sept 10	SJSR - crab dock/pier	AC,et.al.	Last report for the breeding season
Yellow-headed Blackbird.....	Sept 6	FRR - Royal Ave.....	SD	Last report for the breeding season

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