

Field Notes: September 2018

Sharp-tailed Sandpiper, Hawaiian Petrel, Long-tailed Jaeger, Black-and-White Warbler

Mostly dry and warm, with a record number of days without rainfall set this month! A very good fall for shorebirds at Fern Ridge Reservoir (see below). As is normal, the first of the wintering species are starting to return and the last of the neotropical migrants are leaving.

Abbreviations: Fern Ridge Reservoir (FRR), Oregon Birds Record Committee (OBRC), South Jetty of the Siuslaw River (SJSR), North Fork of the Siuslaw River (NF Siuslaw River), North Jetty of the Siuslaw River (NJSR).

WATERFOWL TO SWIFTS

White-fronted Goose	Sept 11	FRR - Royal Ave	RR	First report of migrants headed south
Cackling Goose	Sept 26	FRR	JS,JL	First report for the winter season
Tundra Swan	Sept 29	Heceta Beach	DP	A very early "winter" report
Eared Grebe	Sept 6	NJSR	RH,et al.	First report for the winter season
Common Nighthawk	Sept 1	near UO	BN	An unusual location, migrating?
Sandhill Crane	Sept 19	High Pass Rd	CO	Very early sighting
Black-necked Stilt	Sept 18	Siltcoos River mouth	RR	Very unusual for the coast
Black-necked Stilt	Sept 5	FRR - Royal Ave	JK	Last report for the breeding season
Pacific Golden-Plover	Sept 26	SJSR - deflation plain	DF	Annual, but in small numbers
Marbled Godwit (2)	Sept 17	SJSR - Crab dock	DF	Annual, but in small numbers
Red Knot	Sept 10	SJSR - Crab dock	DF	Annual, but in small numbers
Red Knot	Sept 18	Siltcoos River mouth	RR	Most likely a different bird
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	Sept 2	FRR - Royal Ave	KS	Continuing, a very good year for them
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	Sept 7	Siltcoos River mouth	DF	The only coast report
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	Sept 15	FRR - Royal Ave	AC,VT	The last report for the season
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	Sept 18	FRR - Royal Ave	SH	The first of numerous reports
Hawaiian Petrel	Sept 9	51 miles off coast	TC	Second record if accepted by the OBRC
Flesh-footed Shearwater	Sept 9	51 miles off coast	TC	Very few records for Lane Co
Great Egret (30+)	Sept 13	NF Siuslaw River	AC	A large number, but they breed just up river

CRANES TO TERNS

White-tailed Kite	Sept 20	FRR - Royal Ave	RR	A normal time for arrival on their winter area
Long-tailed Jaeger	Sept 10	FRR - Perkins Pen	SH	Second sighting this year!
Common Tern (3)	Sept 8	FRR - Shore Lane	SM	Common in small numbers this time of year
Common Tern (26)	Sept 18	SJSR	RR	A high number for Lane Co

OWLS TO BUNTINGS

Short-eared Owl	Sept 1	FRR - Royal Ave	ID,et al.	A very early report
Lewis's Woodpecker	Sept 18	Skinner Butte	MK	An unusual location
Western Wood-Pewee	Sept 19	Mill Race - Springfield	DA,et al.	Last report for the breeding season
Willow Flycatcher	Sept 13	Springfield	SMc	Last report for the breeding season
Say's Phoebe	Sept 19	Meadowlark Prairie	VT	An unusual fall report
Warbling Vireo	Sept 26	Creswell area	NS	Last report for the breeding season
Northern Rough-winged Swallow	Sept 15	Marshall Island	BC	Last report for the breeding season
Purple Martin	Sept 20	FRR - Royal Ave	CKJ	Last report for the breeding season
House Wren	Sept 19	Creswell area	NS	Last report for the breeding season
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Sept 25	Creswell area	NS	First report for the winter season
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Sept 25	Fox Hollow area	RF	First report for the winter season
Varied Thrush	Sept 17	Fox Hollow area	RF	First report for the winter season
American Pipit	Sept 10	SJSR - deflation plain	DF	First report for the winter season

Merlin	Sept 14	Siltcoos River mouth	DF	They're being found earlier each year
Lapland Longspur	Sept 26	Florence - Port area.....	DF	Annual in small numbers
Chipping Sparrow	Sept 13	FRR	RR	Last report for the breeding season
Vesper Sparrow	Sept 5	FRR - Royal Ave.....	RS.....	Last report for the breeding season
Fox Sparrow (sooty)	Sept 14	Florence	MK.....	First report for the winter season
Golden-crowned Sparrow	Sept 6	Heceta Beach	TL.....	First report for the winter season
Lincoln's Sparrow	Sept 5	FRR - Royal Ave.....	RS.....	First report from the valley for the winter
Yellow-headed Blackbird	Sept 20	FRR - Royal Ave.....	JS	Last report for the breeding season
Brown-headed Cowbird	Sept 14	FRR - Fisher Butte	JM, LB	Last report for the breeding season
Black-and-White Warbler	Sept 10	Oak Hill Cemetery.....	LW	About the tenth record for Lane Co
Nashville Warbler	Sept 18	FRR - Royal Ave.....	SS.....	Last report for the breeding season
MacGillivray's Warbler	Sept 27	Creswell area	NS	Last report for the breeding season
Yellow Warbler	Sept 26	FRR - Zumwalt	LM,et al.....	Last report for the breeding season
Palm Warbler	Sept 14	FRR - Perkins Pen.....	MB	A very early report for this species
Hermit Warbler	Sept 19	Creswell area	NS	Last report for the breeding season
Black-headed Grosbeak	Sept 18	FRR - Fisher Butte	MK.....	Last report for the breeding season

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