

## Field Notes: Summer 2020

# Calliope Hummingbird, Common Grackle, Red-eyed Vireo, Northern Waterthrush

The weather for the period was more or less normal, with a hot spell at the end. As is typical, some of the far northern breeders were already headed south after failed attempts at breeding during the latter portion of the period. Much larger numbers will head south in the next two-to-four months.

Abbreviations: Fern Ridge Reservoir (FRR), Oregon Bird Records Committee (ORBC),  
South Jetty of the Siuslaw River (SJSR)

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## WATERFOWL TO SHOREBIRDS

Canvasback ♂	July 3	FRR - Royal	MS	Rare during the breeding season
Canvasback ♀	July 14	FRR - Royal	SH	A breeding pair?
Common Nighthawk	June/July	Eugene/Springfield	M.ob.	More reports than the last few years
Black-chinned Hummingbird	June 13	Leaburg area	M&SA	About twenty records for Lane Co.
Calliope Hummingbird	July 12	Warner Mtn area	SH,VB	Rare breeder in the high Cascades
Calliope Hummingbird	July 17	Cottage Grove area	SS	Quite rare in the valley this time of year
Black-necked Stilt (ad & 2 juv)	July 1	FRR - Royal	AC,TJ	Nesting again this year
American Avocet	July 29	FRR - Royal	GM	Rare during fall migration
Marbled Godwit	July 3	SJSR - crab dock	AC,VT	A little earlier than normal
Semipalmated Sandpiper	June 29	FRR - Royal	GM	A little earlier than normal
Wilson's Snipe	June 17	S Coyote Unit - FRR	JGe	Uncommon breeder in the valley
Solitary Sandpiper	July 17	FRR - Royal	MS	Rare during fall migration
Wandering Tattler	July 22	Strawberry Hill	JW	First report for fall migration
Lesser Yellowlegs	July 1	FRR - Royal	AC,TJ	A little earlier than normal

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## GULLS TO VIREOS

Sabine's Gull	July 14	Siltcoos River mouth	RR	Rare for the breeding season
Heerman's Gull	July 17	Siuslaw River mouth	AC,JGa	Normal time for northward movement
Marbled Murrelet (100+)	July 3	Bray Point area	AC,VT	Very high numbers for recent years
Cassin's Auklet	July 17	Siuslaw River mouth	AC,JGa	Uncommon during the breeding season
Storm-Petrel sp. (dark-rumped)	July 10	Siltcoos River area	TG-T	If accepted by the OBRC - Lane Co. first
Black-crowned Night-Heron	June 4	Danebo Pond	VT	Rarely seen during breeding season
White-faced Ibis	July 2	FRR -Royal	RA	Rare during breeding season
Long-eared Owl	July 30	Lorane area	DK	Rarely found during breeding season
Am. Three-toed Woodpecker	June 20	Scott Lake area	AC,et al	They breed in the high Cascades
Am. Three-toed Woodpecker	July 4	Gold Lake road	JL	Adults feeding young in nest
Black-backed Woodpecker	June 20	Scott Lake area	AC,et al	They breed in the high Cascades
Black-backed Woodpecker	July 17	Ollalie Mtn	LG	In recent burn - farther west than normal
Ash-throated Flycatcher	June 2	Steward Pond	EB	Continuation of the large spring numbers
Ash-throated Flycatcher	June 9	Delta Ponds	JL	Continuation of the large spring numbers
Red-eyed Vireo	July 1	Finn Rock Reach	RR	The only sighting for this year!

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## SWALLOWS TO WARBLERS

Bank Swallow	July 14	FRR - Royal	JS	A little earlier than normal
Horned Lark	July 2	FRR - Royal	JL	Uncommon in this area during breeding
Mountain Bluebird	June 4	Wild Iris Ridge	VB	Rare in the valley during breeding season
Mountain Bluebird	July 2	Taylor Burn Rd	A&TM	They breed in the high Cascades
Northern Mockingbird	June 2	Mt Pisgah	JH	Rare in the valley in breeding season
Northern Mockingbird	June 22	Siltcoos River mouth	DF	2nd year of sighting in breeding season
Cassin's Finch	July 6	Taylor Burn Rd	RR	They breed in the high Cascades
Brewer's Sparrow	July 10	FRR - Royal	JGa	A little earlier than normal

Vesper Sparrow .....	July 26.....	High Prairie- Oakridge.....	JL .....	Are they breeding in the area?
Grasshopper Sparrow .....	July 4.....	Alton Baker Park .....	JS,LJ .....	Singing in old landfill
Grasshopper Sparrow .....	July 22.....	S Coyote Unit - FRR.....	JGe.....	Possible breeding
Lincoln's Sparrow.....	July 17.....	FRR - Royal .....	MS .....	Rare away from the high Cascades
Common Grackle.....	July 9.....	FRR - Orchard Pt.....	BC.....	About the fifth record for Lane Co
Great-tailed Grackle.....	July 4.....	FRR - Royal .....	VT,NC.....	The first report since 2017
Northern Waterthrush.....	July 2.....	Mule Prairie.....	A&TM .....	First report from this area since 2002
Black-and-white Warbler .....	June 4.....	Owasso Bridge area.....	RH .....	Second breeding season report for Lane

AC Alan Contreras, A&TM Allison & Tom Mickel, BC Barbara Combs, DF Daniel Farrar, DK David Kennedy, EB Evan Burgess, GM Gerry Meenaghan, , JGa Joshua Galpern, JGe Joel Geier, JH Jennifer Haynes, JL Joshua Little, JS John Sullivan, JW Jay Withgott, LG Linda Gilbert, LJ Laura Johnson, M&SA Marian & Steve Alter, MS Martin Stervander, NC Nancy Clogston, RA Ramiro Aragon, **RH** Rich Hoyer, RR Roger Robb, SH Sally Hill, SS Steve Stump, TG-T Torry Gage-Tomlinson, TJ Tye Jeske, VB Vickie Buck, **VT** Vjera Thompson. M.ob. signifies many observers.