

September 2004 Field Notes

September is always an interesting month for birding with the fall migration in full swing, and this year was no exception. Numerous birders exclaimed that the shorebird migration was especially good, since a number of unusual or rare species were found. Total numbers of birds seemed to be lower than normal, though.

WATERBIRDS

Greater White-fronted Goose Sept. 14; Eugene area; SMc

Horned Grebe Sept. 29; Fern Ridge Reservoir; LM et al.

Red-necked Grebe Sept. 12; Dexter Reservoir; TJ

Eared Grebe Sept. 12; Dexter Reservoir; TJ

Eared Grebe Sept. 24; Walterville Pond; DI

Clark's Grebe (with young) Sept. 9; Fern Ridge Reservoir; DD

Northern Fulmar (15-20) Sept. 19; South Jetty; DI et al.

American White Pelican (3) Sept. 16; Fern Ridge Reservoir; SMA

RAPTORS

White-tailed Kite (2) Sept. 30; Fern Ridge Reservoir; DD

Red-shouldered Hawk Sept. 15; Mt. Pisgah; DD

Swainson's Hawk (2) Sept. 13; Fern Ridge Reservoir/Meadowlark Prairie; MP

Swainson's Hawk Sept. 16; Eugene airport area; DF, m.ob.

Swainson's Hawk (3) Sept. 17; Eugene airport area; RR

Rough-legged Hawk Sept. 18; Eugene airport area; LG

SHOREBIRDS

American Golden-Plover Sept. 18; Crab; Dock BC

Snowy Plover (36) Sept. 13; Siltcoos River; DL,KC

Bar-tailed Godwit Sept. 17; South Jetty; B&ZS

Red-necked Stint Sept. 19; Siltcoos River mouth; AC et al.

Pectoral Sandpiper (25+) Sept. 30; Fern Ridge Reservoir; TM

Sharp-tailed Sandpiper (2) Sept. 29; Fern Ridge Reservoir; DF

Buff-breasted Sandpiper Sept. 4; Deflation Plain; JS, LJ

Ruff Sept. 10; Fern Ridge Reservoir; AP

Wilson's Phalarope Sept. 19; Fern Ridge Reservoir; LG

Red-necked Phalarope Sept. 20; Fern Ridge Reservoir; DB

GULLS, & TERNS

Parasitic Jaeger Sept. 6; Deflation Plain; A&DH

Parasitic Jaeger Sept. 13; Fern Ridge Reservoir; DI

Sabine's Gull Sept. 8; Dexter Reservoir; DF

Elegant Tern (4) Sept. 6; Siuslaw River; JM

Common Tern (12) Sept. 4; Siuslaw River; JS,LJ

Common Tern (30) Sept. 6; South Jetty; A&DH

Common Tern (3) Sept. 9; Fern Ridge Reservoir; DD
Common Tern (3) Sept. 9; Walterville Pond; DI
Arctic Tern Sept. 11; Dexter Reservoir; MM

SWIFTS

Black Swift Sept. 18; FRR: Orchard Pt.; BC
Vaux's Swift (15-20,000) Sept. 26; Agate Hall, UO; DD

PASSERINES

Rufous Hummingbird Sept. 25; S. Eugene; DPs
Lewis's Woodpecker (2) Sept. 15; Mt. Pisgah; DD
Western Wood-Pewee Sept. 15; Fern Ridge Reservoir; LM et al.
Willow Flycatcher Sept. 22; Fern Ridge Reservoir; LM et al.
Pacific-sloped Flycatcher Sept. 8; Skinner Butte; DI
Black Phoebe Sept. 23; Fiddle Creek; B&ZS
Warbling Vireo Sept. 15; Fern Ridge Reservoir; LM et al.
Purple Martin Sept. 6; Fern Ridge Reservoir; A&TM
Rock Wren Sept. 20; Hills Creek Reservoir; DF
Ruby-crowned Kinglet Sept. 25; Siltcoos Station Rd.; B&ZS
Swainson Thrush Sept. 25; SE Eugene; A&TM
Varied Thrush Sept. 22; SW Eugene; AMc
Yellow Warbler Sept. 27; River Road area; MRu
Orange-crowned Warbler Sept. 22; Fern Ridge Reservoir; LM et al.
Black-throated Gray Warbler Sept. 30; SE Eugene; A&TM
Townsend's Warbler Sept. 25; Siltcoos Station Rd.; B&ZS
Black-and-White Warbler (pair) Aug. 31; Row River & Smith Ck.; MH
Common Yellowthroat Sept. 24; Walterville Pond; DI
Wilson's Warbler Sept. 6; Skinner Butte; DI
Western Tanager Sept. 21; Skinner Butte; DI
Lapland Longspur Sept. 4; Deflation Plain; JS, LJ
Lapland Longspur Sept. 29; Fern Ridge Reservoir; LM et al.
Black-headed Grosbeak Sept. 20; Creswell area; HL
Vesper Sparrow Sept. 15; Mt. Pisgah; DD
Lincoln's Sparrow Sept. 1; Fern Ridge Reservoir; LM et al.
Golden-crowned Sparrow Sept. 6; Skinner Butte; DI
Golden-crowned Sparrow Sept. 6; Scott Lake; AC
Yellow-headed Blackbird Sept. 29; Fern Ridge Reservoir; PS

Abbreviations:

Deflation plain Deflation plain at the South Jetty of the Siuslaw River; **FRR** Fern Ridge Reservoir; **m.ob.** many observers; **South Jetty** South Jetty of the Siuslaw River.

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