

October 2005 Field Notes

October brought an end to the "Indian summer" we had been enjoying with the return of more normal (wet and cooler) weather. Despite the weather, we observed a number of species lingering later than usual. The big news was the report of Parkinson's Petrel off the southern Lane County coast, a first record for Oregon if approved by the records committee!

WATERBIRDS

Greater White-fronted Goose Oct 1; Eugene area; SMc,DF
Cackling Goose Oct 1; Eugene area; SMc
Brant Oct 30; Lane Mem. Gardens; SMA
Harlequin Duck Oct 16; South Jetty; AC
Surf Scoter (4000+) Oct 12; Heceta Head; B&ZS
Black Scoter Oct 16; Crab Dock; JS,LJ
Long-tailed Duck Oct 1; North Jetty; DP
Long-tailed Duck Oct 13; Bob Creek; B&ZS
Parkinson's Petrel Oct 22; 30 nautical miles offshore; PP
American White Pelican (37) Oct 2; FRR; DL,JB

RAPTORS

White-tailed Kite (6) Oct 16; FRR; MP
White-tailed Kite (8) Oct 22; FRR; DF
Rough-legged Hawk Oct 14; Lily Lake; B&ZS
Rough-legged Hawk Oct 21; Junction City area; TS
Prairie Falcon Oct 5; FRR; LM,et al.

SHOREBIRDS

Black-bellied Plover (130+) Oct 1; FRR; DL,JB
American Golden-Plover Oct 3; FRR; JS
American Golden-Plover Oct 6; Deflation Plain; AC
American Golden-Plover Oct 22; Deflation Plain; AC
Pacific Golden-Plover (2) Oct 3; FRR; JS
Pacific Golden-Plover Oct 16; Deflation Plain; JS,LJ
Wandering Tattler Oct 16; South Jetty; JS,LJ
Baird's Sandpiper Oct 5; FRR; LM,et al.
Pectoral Sandpiper (32) Oct 3; FRR; JS

GULLS, TERNS & ALCIDS

Mew Gull Oct 16; Siuslaw River mouth; AC
Black-legged Kittiwake Oct 11; North Jetty; B&ZS
Caspian Tern Oct 12; FRR; LM,et al.
Pigeon Guillemot Oct 16; South Jetty; AC
Marbled Murrelet Oct 12; Brays Point; B&ZS

NIGHTJARS to HUMMINGBIRDS

Common Nighthawk Oct 22; Eugene downtown; MM

Band-tailed Pigeon (44) Oct 21; Hendricks Park; DD

Rufous Hummingbird Oct 10; Willamette River, Eugene; RR

Rufous Hummingbird Oct 29; Florence; DP,ACa

SHRIKE to FINCHES

Northern Shrike Oct 10; FRR; TMa,SB

Blue Jay Oct 30; Waldo Lake; fide VA

Clark's Nutcracker Oct 30; Waldo Lake; fide VA

Horned Lark Oct 12; FRR; PS

Violet-green Swallow (100s) Oct 1-5; FRR & Alton Baker Pk.; DI,JB,AM,LM

Cliff Swallow Oct 5; FRR; LM,et al.

Barn Swallow Oct 5; FRR; LM,et al.

White-breasted Nuthatch Oct; Eugene area; m.ob.

Swainson's Thrush Oct 20; SE Eugene; LM,et al.

Palm Warbler Oct 5; FRR; LM,et al.

Palm Warbler (2) Oct 6; Deflation Plain; AC

Palm Warbler (2) Oct 22; Deflation Plain; AC

Common Yellowthroat Oct 16; Deflation Plain; AC

Western Tanager Oct 31; Willow Creek; SG

American Tree Sparrow Oct 6; Deflation Plain; AC

Clay-colored Sparrow Oct 7; South Jetty; DP

White-throated Sparrow Oct 25; East Springfield; PS

Lapland Longspur Oct 16; Deflation Plain; JS,LJ

Lapland Longspur Oct 22; FRR; DF

Abbreviations:

ABP Alton Baker Park; **Crab Dock** Crab Dock at the South Jetty of the Siuslaw River; **FRR** Fern Ridge Reservoir; **LMG** Lane Memorial Gardens; **m.ob.** many observers; **North Jetty** North Jetty of the Siuslaw River; **South Jetty** South Jetty of the Siuslaw River; **Deflation plain** South Jetty of the Siuslaw River deflation plain.

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