

June - July 2001 Field Notes

The summer breeding season was marked by the drought, which meant lower water levels in area reservoirs, lakes, and streams and a lack of snow pack in the Cascades. The weather throughout the period was somewhat of a mitigating factor with it being cooler and wetter than normal. The most obvious effect of the drought was the Great Basin birds that summered at Fern Ridge Reservoir (**FRR**) and the large number of shorebirds that are using the shoreline habitat created at FRR by the lower water levels during their migration south.

Waterbirds

Clark's Grebe (1) June 1; FRR dam; PK
Sooty Shearwater June 23; Siuslaw River; DF,VA
American White Pelican (47) July 27; FRR; DF
Brown Pelican July 13; Siuslaw River mouth; PS
Great Egret June 1; Royal Ave; PK
Green Heron June 21; Jasper Park; DD
Black-crowned Night-heron July 16; Fisher Butte; TR
Black-crowned Night-heron July 18; Eug Airport, S end; LM

Raptors

Bald Eagle June 14; Coast Range; SM
Northern Goshawk July 19; Box Canyon; BN
Red-shouldered Hawk June 13; Coyote Creek; LM,DAR
Red-shouldered Hawk July 18; Spencer Creek Rd; GC
Golden Eagle (2) June 6; Coburg Hills, Linn Co; A&TM

Gallinaceous & Shorebirds

Ruffed Grouse July 26; Mt. Pisgah; DD
Wild Turkey July 6; Mt. Pisgah; DS
Virginia Rail July 20; Triangle Lake area; SM
Black-bellied Plover July 8; FRR; DF
Semipalmated Plover (12) July 23; FRR; DF
Black-necked Stilt (2) June 5; Royal Ave; DD,RF
Black-necked Stilt June 11; Royal Ave; DB
Black-necked Stilt (2) June 14; KR Nielson Rd; MM
American Avocet June 2; Royal Ave; DI
American Avocet June 5; Royal Ave; DD,RF
Greater Yellowlegs (15) July 1; FRR; DF
Lesser Yellowlegs (3) July 8; FRR; DF
Wandering Tattler (2) July 19; Siuslaw River, N Jetty; DPe
Black Turnstone (3) July 19; Siuslaw River, N Jetty; DPe
Surfbird (3) July 19; Siuslaw River, N Jetty; DPe
Semipalmated Sandpiper July 25; Siuslaw River, N Jetty; DF
Long-billed Dowitcher July 8; FRR; DF

Wilson's Phalarope (pair) June 2; Royal Ave; DI
Wilson's Phalarope (female) June 14; Royal Ave; DD
Wilson's Phalarope (male & juv.) June 29; Royal Ave; DB,DD
Wilson's Phalarope (juv.) July 16, 22; Royal Ave; DF

Gulls, Terns, & Alcids

Heermann's Gull June 26; Siuslaw River; PS
Ring-billed Gull (2) July 2; FRR; DF
Caspian Tern June 17; Kirk Pond, FRR; DF
Caspian Tern June 21; Kirk Pond, FRR; DF
Caspian Tern July 19; Alton Baker Park; VA
Caspian Tern (2) July 29; Kirk Pond, FRR; MRu
Black Tern July 29; FRR; DD
Common Murre July 23; Siuslaw River; DD
Marbled Murrelet June 23; Siuslaw River; DF,AV
Rhinoceros Auklet June 23; Siuslaw River; DF,AV
Rhinoceros Auklet (7) July 26; Sea Lion Caves; SM

Doves, Goatsuckers, & Swifts

Ringed-turtle Dove June 2; Santa Clara; MRu
Common Nighthawk June 6; Cantrell Road; DF,PS
Common Nighthawk (2) June 10, 22, 28; Veneta; DF
Common Nighthawk July 1; SE Eugene; A&TM
Black Swift (4) June 1; Salt Creek falls; DA1
Black Swift (6-10) June 21; Salt Creek falls; PS,DF

Passerines

Three-toed Woodpecker June 28; N. Waldo burn; HH,DF,VA
Three-toed Woodpecker (2) July 9; N. Waldo burn; J&TG
Black-backed Woodpecker June 19; N. Waldo burn; AP,BH
Black-backed Woodpecker (4) July 9; N.Waldo burn; J&TG
Ash-throated Flycatcher June 6; Cantrell Road; LM
Ash-throated Flycatcher July 6; Mt. Pisgah; DS
Western Kingbird June 29; Willow Creek; DD
Western Kingbird (4) July 22; Greenhill Road; DF
Red-eyed Vireo June 21; Salmon Creek; PS,DF
Red-eyed Vireo July 15; Elijah Bristow SP; DW
Clark's Nutcracker June 15; Craig Lake; PS
Clark's Nutcracker July 24; The Twins; DD
Horned Lark July 11; Amazon Flats; DD
Purple Martin (50) June 1; Royal Ave; PK
Purple Martin July 27; Marcola area; KB
Purple Martin July 27; Cottage Grove area; KB
Varied Thrush June 23; Santa Clara; MRu
Wrentit June 16; Hills Creek; A&TM

Rose-breasted Grosbeak June 2; Florence; B&ZS
Rose-breasted Grosbeak June 7; McLean Blvd, Eug; DPa
Rock Wren June 21; Waldo Lake area; PS,DF
Rock Wren June 25; Hill Creek Reservoir; RG
Nashville Warbler July 24; The Twins; DD
Northern Waterthrush June 16; Mule Prairie, Salt Ck; DF, VA
Brewer's Sparrow July 6; Fisher Butte, FRR; VA,KF
Vesper Sparrow July 30; Mt. Pisgah; DD
Grasshopper Sparrow July 8; Royal Ave area; DD
Lark Bunting (singing male) June 11; KR Nielson Road; DH
Lark Bunting June 21; Gimpl Hill Road; JB
Lazuli Bunting July 17; Mt. Pisgah; DD
Western Meadowlark July 7; Oakridge area; RG
Cassin's Finch July 24; The Twins; DD

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