

June - July 2004 Field Notes

The first couple weeks of the breeding season were cool and moist, which could have caused some of the late migrants to linger before moving on. Since then, it has been dry and quite warm. Again, Fern Ridge Reservoir provided excellent birding with water levels in the diked ponds good for shorebirds and an increase in Great Basin species summering. Now that fall migration is in full swing, let us know what you're finding.

WATERFOWL

Mute Swan (4) June 14; Ayers Rd. pond; fide KL

Redhead June 18; Royal Ave, FRR; DD

WATERBIRDS & SEABIRDS

American White Pelican July 2; Royal Ave., FRR; DD

Brown Pelicans (120+) July 10; Heceta Head; DP

Great Egret (8) July 23; Royal Ave., FRR; MPn

Cattle Egret July 10; Royal Ave., FRR; EC

Black-crowned Night-Heron (5+) July 14; Royal Ave., FRR; LM

Pink-footed Shearwater (3) July 25; Heceta Head; RR

Sooty Shearwater (30) July 25; Heceta Head; RR

Leach's Storm-Petrel July 17; Heceta Head; fide DP

RAPTORS

White-tailed Kite July 10; deflation plain; B&ZS

Northern Harrier June 1; Marcola area; DH

Red-shouldered Hawk June 16; Kirk Park, FRR; LM

Golden Eagle July 31; Leaburg Lake; DD

SHOREBIRDS

Snowy Plover (11) July 26; Siltcoos; PS

Semipalmated Plover July 10; Crab Dock; B&ZS

Black Oystercatcher June 18; Heceta Head area; B&ZS

American Avocet June 20; East Coyote, FRR; RR

Solitary Sandpiper July 13; Royal Ave., FRR; A&DH

Wandering Tattler (2) July 26; South Jetty; PS,DA

Whimbrel (10) July 7; Heceta Beach; B&ZS

Long-billed Curlew July 18; Royal Ave., FRR; DD

Marbled Godwit June 3; East Coyote, FRR; RS

Marbled Godwit (2) June 13; Heceta Beach; B&ZS

Semipalmated Sandpiper July 25; Royal Ave., FRR; JS,LJ,JF

Western Sandpiper July 6; Crab Dock; B&ZS

Least Sandpiper June 21; East Coyote, FRR; DD

Least Sandpiper July 1; Old Town, Florence; B&ZS

Dunlin (18) July 9; Old Town, Florence; DP

Wilson's Snipe July 13; deflation plain; B&ZS
Wilson's Phalarope June 10; Junction City area; PA
Wilson's Phalarope July 17; deflation plain; B&ZS
Red-necked Phalarope June 21; East Coyote, FRR; DF

GULLS, TERNS & ALCIDS

Heermann's Gull July 3; Bob Creek; B&ZS
Heermann's Gull (200+) July 26; South Jetty; DA
Caspian Tern (3) June & July; FRR; DF
Caspian Tern June 23; Dexter Reservoir; BN
Caspian Tern June 24; Walterville Pond; AR
Forster's Tern (3) June 4; Fern Ridge Reservoir; DF
Forster's Tern (2) July 11; Fern Ridge Reservoir; A&TM,DD
Common Murre (350+) July 22; Siuslaw River mouth; B&ZS
Cassin's Auklet (2) July 25; Heceta Head; RR
Rhinoceros Auklet (14) July 26; Siuslaw River mouth; PS
Tufted Puffin (2) June 16; Heceta Head; DP

OWLS & NIGHTJARS

Western Screech-Owl June; SW Eugene; DP
Great Horned Owl (6) June 11; Valley River Center; A&DH
Barred Owl July 14; Fox Hollow Rd.; fide BMC
Common Nighthawk June 8; Valley River Center; DI
Common Nighthawk June 14; UO area; KL
Common Nighthawk (2) June 24; Prairie Rd area; DI

SWIFTS, HUMMINGBIRDS & WOODPECKERS

Black Swift June 5; Salt Creek Falls; BA
Black-chinned Hummingbird July 3; SE Eugene; AC
Acorn Woodpecker July 7; Royal Avenue; DP
Red-naped Sapsucker July 28; Maiden Peak; DD
Am. Three-toed Woodpecker (2) July 27; Scott Lake; PS
Black-backed Woodpecker June 22; Waldo Lake; PS

FLYCATCHERS

Olive-sided Flycatcher June 5; Eugene; MPs
Willow Flycatcher June; Amazon Park; BB
Black Phoebe June; Canary area; B&ZS
Ash-throated Flycatcher June 16; Cantrell Rd.; LM
Eastern Kingbird June 22; Fall Creek Reservoir; DF

VIREOS to FINCHES

Red-eyed Vireo June 13; Elijah Bristow park; DF
Red-eyed Vireo July 9; Long Tom R., Veneta; AO
Western Scrub-Jay June; Florence; B&ZS
Horned Lark June 23; Eugene airport area; AMc

Purple Martin June 16; Creswell area; HL
Rock Wren June/July; high Cascades; m.ob.
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher late June; Mt. Pisgah; BC
Mountain Bluebird June 22; Waldo Lake; PS
Northern Mockingbird June 26; Creswell area; DL
Lazuli X Indigo Bunting June 29; Dorena Reservoir; DF
Yellow-headed Blackbird July 12; Fisher Unit, FRR; PS

Abbreviations:

Crab Dock South Jetty of Siuslaw River crab dock; **deflation plain** South Jetty of Siuslaw River deflation plain; **FRR** Fern Ridge Reservoir; **m.ob.** many observers; **Siltcoos** Siltcoos River mouth; **South Jetty** South Jetty, Siuslaw River.

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