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The first half of the month was warm and sunny, and the second half was wetter and colder with the first winter storm of the season arriving on the 25th. During October, we begin to see wintering species, while most of the neotropical migrants have left. The storm made for some spectacular sea-watching along the coast.

Abbreviations: Fern Ridge Reservoir (FRR), South Jetty of the Siuslaw River (SJSR)

WATERBIRDS

Snow Goose	Oct 3	FRR – Royal Ave	JS	First report for the winter season
Blue-winged Teal	Oct 3	FRR – Royal Ave	HH, et al.	Getting late for this species
Harlequin Duck (2)	Oct	SJSR	m.ob.	Seen throughout the month
Barrow's Goldeneye (35)	Oct 12	Waldo Lake	A&TM	A large number for the county
Red-necked Grebe (13)	Oct 29	Siuslaw River	AC	Higher than normal numbers
Northern Fulmar (900)	Oct 26	Siuslaw River mouth	AC, DP	An amazing number from shore
Pink-footed Shearwater	Oct 5	Sea Lion Caves	NS	Larger than normal numbers this fall
Black-crowned Night-Heron	(5) Oct 4	FRR – Royal Ave	SS	Normal roosting numbers in the fall

GROUSE to ALCIDS

Sooty Grouse	Oct 9	Prairie Peak	НН, ОН	Uncommon species in the Coast Range
Turkey Vulture (65)	Oct 4	U of O area	BN	Kettle headed south
Osprey	Oct 29	Delta Ponds	PS	They normally winter in small numbers
White-tailed Kite	Oct 4	FRR – Royal Ave	SS	Returning for the winter season
Rough-legged Hawk	Oct 15	Meadowlark Prairie	SNa	First report for the winter season
Gyrfalcon (possible)	Oct 21	Meadowview Rd area	AT	Rarely found in the county
Prairie Falcon	Oct 21	Meadowview Rd area	AP	First report for the winter season
Virginia Rail	Oct 12	Baker Beach marsh	AC, SB	An area where they winter
Sandhill Crane (50)	Oct 10	Pleasant Hill area	ME	Normal time for their southward migration
American Golden-Plover (2)	Oct 1	FRR – Royal Ave	JS	Good numbers were seen this fall
Snowy Plover (20)	Oct 29	Siltcoos River mouth	AC	Always a good place for this species
Red Knot	Oct 5	NF Siuslaw River area	NS	At the end of their migration period
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	Oct 1	FRR – Royal Ave	JS	Almost annual at this location
Baird's Sandpiper	Oct 3	FRR – Royal Ave	JS	Getting late for this species
Ruff (2)	Oct 3	FRR – Royal Ave	RR	The third and fourth bird this fall!
Red-necked Phalarope (2)	Oct 23	FRR – Royal Ave	JH	Later than normal
Red Phalarope (2)	Oct 26	FRR – Royal Ave	JD	Inland only during strong winds
Sabine's Gull (5-7)	Oct 26	Siuslaw River mouth	AC, DP	Blown to shore by wind
Common Tern	Oct 3	FRR – Royal Ave	JS	Getting late for this species
Elegant Tern	Oct 25	Siuslaw River mouth	SB	Still being seen
Pomarine Jaeger (2+)	Oct 25	Siuslaw River mouth	SB	Blown to shore by high winds
Scripp's Murrelet (possible)	Oct 26	Siuslaw River mouth	AC	Would only be the third record for Lane Co
Cassin's Auklet (3)	Oct 26	Siuslaw River mouth	AC, DP	Only found in the river during strong winds

OWLS to FINCHES

Barred Owl	Oct 2	Heceta Beach area	DP	They're now being reported from almost everywhere in the county
Vaux's Swift (3720)	Oct 5	Agate Hall – UO	ВС	High count for this fall
Vaux's Swift (1)	Oct 9	Agate Hall – UO	AC	Only one entered the chimney this evening
Hammond's Flycatcher	Oct 2	Creswell area	NS	Last report for the breeding season
Northern Shrike	Oct 3	FRR – Royal Ave	PS	First report for the winter season
Northern Shrike	Oct 16	SJSR deflation plain	AC, DP	First report for the winter season
Tree Swallow	Oct 8	FRR – Royal Ave	TM, RS	Last report for the breeding season
Violet-green Swallow	Oct 15	Walterville Pond	VB	Last report for the breeding season
Cliff Swallow	Oct 2	FRR – Royal Ave	A&TM	Last report for the breeding season
Barn Swallow	Oct 16	FRR – Royal Ave	SM	Last report for the breeding season
Northern Mockingbird	Oct 9	Alvadore	DB	Returned for its fourth winter
Swainson's Thrush	Oct 24	SE Eugene	A&TM	About a month later than normal
Lapland Longspur	Oct 3	FRR – Royal Ave	RR	Unusual inland in the county
Lapland Longspur	Oct 9	FRR – Royal Ave	RR	Same bird as above?
MacGillivray's Warbler	Oct 1	Bramblewood Park	ВС	Last report for the breeding season
Common Yellowthroat	Oct 16	FRR & Delta Ponds	SM, SNa	Last report for the breeding season
Yellow Warbler	Oct 5	Lily Lake	NS	Last report for the breeding season
Palm Warbler	Oct 5	SJSR deflation plain	NS	Normal migration time for this species
Black-throated Gray Warbler	Oct 6	Creswell area	NS	Last report for the breeding season
Wilson's Warbler	Oct 5	Lily Lake	NS	Last report for the breeding season
Clay-colored Sparrow	Oct 11	FRR – Royal Ave	WH, et al.	Sporadically seen throughout the month
White-throated Sparrow	Oct 12	Heceta Beach area	DP	First report for the winter
Western Tanager	Oct 6	Gold Lake	BC	Last report for the breeding season
Black-headed Grosbeak	Oct 21	SE Eugene	JSi	Last report for the breeding season
Cassin's Finch	Oct 9	Prairie Peak	НН, ОН	Rarely found in the county except the high Casca des

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