

## Field Notes: October 2019

# Snow Bunting, Clark's Nutcracker, Sabine's Gull, Lapland Longspur

The month started out wet, but ended sunny and cold. Most of the wintering species have at least made an appearance by now, and all the neotropical migrants have departed for their wintering areas to the south, as is normal for this time of year.

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

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## WATERFOWL TO HAWKS

Tundra Swan.....	Oct 26.....	FRR - Perkins.....	SH.....	First report for winter season
Eurasian Wigeon.....	Oct 13.....	FRR - Perkins.....	SH.....	First report for winter season
Vaux's Swift.....	Oct 12.....	UO - Agate Hall.....	BC.....	Last report for breeding season
Rufous Hummingbird.....	Oct 24.....	River Road area.....	RH.....	Very late report — will it winter?
Sandhill Crane.....	Oct 26.....	Coburg Hills.....	BC.....	Start of its fall migration
Wandering Tattler.....	Oct 6.....	SJSR.....	CM.....	Last report for fall migration
Red Phalarope.....	Oct 25.....	Klootchman.....	TJ,et al.....	First report for fall migration
Black-legged Kittiwake.....	Oct 9.....	NJSR.....	DP.....	First report for winter season
Sabine's Gull.....	Oct 13.....	FRR - Perkins.....	SH.....	Rare inland
Leach's Storm-Petrel.....	Oct 19.....	Heceta Beach.....	DP.....	Rarely seen from shore
Barred Owl.....	Oct.....	Eugene downtown.....	M.ob.....	Four plus reports — getting to be regular
Merlin (2).....	Oct 15.....	Westlake.....	DP.....	First winter season report

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## FLYCATCHERS TO GROSBEAKS

Western Wood-Pewee.....	Oct 7.....	FRR - Perkins.....	RA.....	Last report for breeding season
Say's Phoebe.....	Oct 5.....	FRR - Royal.....	TJ,JG.....	First fall report
Say's Phoebe.....	Oct 25.....	Big Creek bridge.....	TJ,et al.....	Unusual coastal sighting
Northern Shrike.....	Oct 13.....	SJSR deflation area.....	DF.....	First report for winter season at the coast
Northern Shrike.....	Oct 17.....	Bond Rd.....	BC.....	First report for winter season in the valley
Clark's Nutcracker (2).....	Oct 4.....	Spencer Butte.....	Fide LM.....	Very unusual away from high Cascades
Clark's Nutcracker.....	Oct 11.....	Creswell area.....	SN.....	Very unusual away from high Cascades
Violet-green Swallow.....	Oct 5.....	FRR - Fisher Butte.....	JG.....	Last report for breeding season
No. Rough-winged Swallow.....	Oct 1.....	FRR - Fisher Butte.....	JW.....	Last report for breeding season
Barn Swallow.....	Oct 17.....	Alvadore.....	BC.....	Last report for breeding season
House Wren.....	Oct 7.....	FRR - Perkins.....	RA.....	Last report for breeding season
Swainson's Thrush.....	Oct 23.....	River Road area.....	BC.....	Last report for breeding season
Lapland Longspur (21).....	Oct 15.....	NJSR.....	DP,et al.....	Large flock for Lane
Snow Bunting.....	Oct 26.....	NJSR.....	DP.....	Rare for Lane
Clay-colored Sparrow.....	Oct 18.....	Waite Ranch.....	AC,DF.....	Normal arrival time at the coast
White-throated Sparrow.....	Oct 6.....	Hillaire St.....	JSp.....	First report for the winter season
Orange-crowned Warbler (3).....	Oct 26.....	FRR - Perkins.....	SH.....	Last report for breeding season
Nashville Warbler.....	Oct 4.....	FRR - Perkins.....	SH.....	Last report for breeding season
MacGillivray's Warbler.....	Oct 7.....	FRR - Perkins.....	RA.....	Last report for breeding season
Common Yellowthroat.....	Oct 19.....	Stewart Pond.....	NC.....	Last report for breeding season
Yellow Warbler.....	Oct 9.....	Florence area.....	SH,et al.....	Last report for breeding season
Black-throated Gray Warbler.....	Oct 26.....	FRR - Perkins.....	SH.....	Last report for breeding season
Wilson's Warbler.....	Oct 2.....	Walterville Pond.....	EC,et al.....	Last report for breeding season
Western Tanager.....	Oct 6.....	FRR - Perkins.....	RA.....	Last report for breeding season
Black-headed Grosbeak.....	Oct 4.....	River Road area.....	JC.....	Last report for breeding season

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