

Sea & Sage Audubon

SJWS Monthly Census Report for May 2009 (5/1/09)

Birders who took part in the census were: Betsy Flynn, Jan Gaffney, Terry Hill, Bob Hogan, Nancy Kenyon, Merri Levy, Eunice Morita, Carolyn Noble, Dick Purvis, Barbara Sentovich, Jerry Tolman, Darrell Wilson.

See our chapter webpage for data on all of our monthly SJWS bird counts:

<http://www.seaandsageaudubon.org/BirdInfo/BirdCounts/SJWSscensus/SJWSscensus.htm>

or, using the tinyurl system, <http://tinyurl.com/cc5gry>

Comments: Spring migrants were in evidence along with nesting birds. The Canada Geese had 4 goslings. At Pond 2, there were nesting American Avocets and Black-necked Stilts; in another area by pond 2, a Least Bittern was seen. 12 species of warblers were seen in the "meadow" area by the picnic tables. A Greater Roadrunner was spotted in the riparian area near Carlson & across the street from the apartments. A Hermit Warbler was seen on the Lost Trail in the Riparian Area. There were a large number of Ash-throated Flycatchers and vocal Yellow-breasted Chats.

Canada Goose - 13 (2)	Ring-billed Gull - 2	European Starling - 1 (7)
Gadwall - 22 (2)	Caspian Tern - 10 (2)	Cedar Waxwing - (31)
Mallard - 35 (6)	Elegant - 2	
Cinnamon Teal - 8	Forster's Tern - 26 (2)	Orange-crowned Warbler - 34
Ruddy Duck - 33	Least Tern - 4	Nashville Warbler - 3
	Black Skimmer - 10	Yellow Warbler - 22 (10)
California Quail - 5		Yellow-rumped Warbler - 16
Pied-billed Grebe - 10 (1)	Mourning Dove - 62	Black-throated Gray Warbler - 6
Eared Grebe - 1	Greater Roadrunner - 1	Townsend's Warbler - 7
American White Pelican - 18	White-throated Swift - 1	Common Yellowthroat - 119 (25)
Double-crested Cormorant - 8 (1)	Anna's Hummingbird - 42 (3)	Wilson's Warbler - 33
Least Bittern - 1	Allen's Hummingbird - 8	Hermit Warbler - 2
Great Blue Heron - 6 (1)	Nuttall's Woodpecker - 1	Yellow-breasted Chat - 9 (2)
Great Egret - 4 (2)	Downy Woodpecker - 1	
Snowy Egret - 2 (3)		Western Tanager - 5
Green Heron - 7 (1)	Pacific-slope Flycatcher - 1	Spotted Towhee - 38 (8)
Black-crowned Night-Heron - 16 (1)	Black Phoebe - 6	California Towhee - 5
	Western Wood-Pewee - 1	Song Sparrow - 148 (16)
Turkey Vulture - 3 (1)	Ash-throated Flycatcher - 16 (18)	Black-headed Grosbeak - 19 (1)
Osprey - 1	Cassin's Kingbird - 3	
Northern Harrier - 1	Western Kingbird - 2	Red-winged Blackbird - 3
Cooper's Hawk - 2		Great-tailed Grackle - 2
Red-shouldered Hawk - 1	Bell's Vireo - 11	Brown-headed Cowbird - 13
	Warbling Vireo - 8	Hooded Oriole - 4
Sora - 2	Hutton's Vireo - 1	Bullock's Oriole - 4
American Coot - 26 (3)	American Crow - 18 (4)	
Semipalmated Plover - 2	Common Raven - 1	House Finch - 193 (50)
Killdeer - 6 (5)		Lesser Goldfinch - 15 (15)
Black-necked Stilt - 4 (3)	Tree Swallow - 214 (2)	American Goldfinch - 15
American Avocet - 39 (7)	N. Rough-winged Swallow - 8 (10)	
Greater Yellowlegs - 1	Cliff Swallow - 2 (216)	Egyptian Goose - 2
Spotted Sandpiper - 4 (6)	Barn Swallow - 1 (1)	Nutmeg Mannikin - (3)
Western Sandpiper - 12	Swainson's Thrush - 6	
Least Sandpiper - 1	Western Bluebird - (1)	
Long-billed Dowitcher - 1 (57)	Northern Mockingbird - 5	
Bonaparte's Gull - 1	California Thrasher - 3	

(Birds seen in the creek are marked with parenthesis.)