

2016 CHATHAM CHRISTMAS COUNT - NYCM

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The Alan Devoe Bird Club's 2016 Chatham Christmas Bird Count (NYCM) was held on Saturday December 17th. 68 species were seen by 11 field parties. Unusual species were Black Vulture, Red-shouldered Hawk, Killdeer, Lesser Black-backed Gull, Merlin, Eastern Towhee, and Rusty Blackbird. Heavy snowfall all morning hindered birding efforts.

Species	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	Total
Snow Goose											2		2
Canada Goose	382	2113		96		31		75		330	1180		4207
Wood Duck			2										2
American Black Duck		5		4							3		12
Mallard	1	52	37	16						13	4		123
Bufflehead		cw											0
Hooded Merganser		1									2		3
Common Merganser	3	1								93	9		106
Ring-necked Pheasant		cw											0
Ruffed Grouse											1		1
Wild Turkey	5	9				18				45	12	39	128
Black Vulture											2		2
Turkey Vulture												cw	0
Northern Harrier	3		1								1		5
Sharp-shinned Hawk										1			1
Cooper's Hawk		1	1			1					1	1	5
Bald Eagle	6	2	1	1				1		8	4	1	24
Red-shouldered Hawk			1										1
Red-tailed Hawk	16	6	7	7			1		1	14	9		61
American Coot		cw											0
Killdeer		1											1
Ring-billed Gull	2									10	5		17
Lesser Black-backed Gull										1			1
Great Black-backed Gull										1			1
Rock Pigeon	58		2	15				1		18	1		95
Mourning Dove	300	50	23	161	18	12	11	20	6	62	63	9	735
Eastern Screech-Owl	2										1		3
Great Horned Owl	3												3
Barred Owl		1											1
Belted Kingfisher			2							1			3
Red-bellied Woodpecker	4	1	4	3		1	3	1	2	5	8	4	36

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	2			1			2		1	2	1		9
Downy Woodpecker	11	5	9	7		5	2	2	2	3	9	6	61
Hairy Woodpecker	2	1		2			2			1	1	7	16
Northern Flicker	1	1								1	4		7
Pileated Woodpecker	3	1	4	1			1			2			12
American Kestrel		1									1		2
Merlin			1								2		3
Peregrine Falcon	1									1			2
Blue Jay	19	13	10	12	3		11		3	15	14	14	114
American Crow	56	61	38	7	7	7	4	21	2	11	51	5	270
Common Raven	1		1	1						3			6
Horned Lark	57									110	7		174
Black-capped Chickadee	41	32	28	21	5	6	12	6	5	37	28	19	240
Tufted Titmouse	12	8	10	15		3	4	2	2	11	15	12	94
Red-breasted Nuthatch	1										1	2	4
White-breasted Nuthatch	11	11	9	14		4	2		2	2	13	3	71
Brown Creeper											1		1
Carolina Wren	2		3	1						2	4		12
Golden-crowned Kinglet											2		2
Eastern Bluebird	17		6	2				1			9		35
American Robin	175	17	105	213	25		1		1	20	326	2	885
Gray Catbird												cw	0
Northern Mockingbird	4	1	5							1			11
European Starling	56	41	374	101	15		2		80	23	180		872
Cedar Waxwing		3	26	8									37
American Tree Sparrow	23	2	21	2						13	7		68
Dark-eyed Junco	89	38	113	110	10	32	14	35	22	125	181	23	792
White-crowned Sparrow			1										1
White-throated Sparrow	5	9	16	21	1		2		4	9	12	1	80
Savannah Sparrow	1												1
Song Sparrow	3		10							5	3		21
Swamp Sparrow	1												1
Eastern Towhee		1											1
Northern Cardinal	5	15	15	12	2	1	6	2	9	9	17	14	107
Red-winged Blackbird										1			1
Rusty Blackbird	1												1
Common										1			1

Grackle													
Brown-headed Cowbird	5									4		9	
House Finch	5	2	36	5		2				1	47		98
American Goldfinch		8	6	3		1	5	2	1	4	34	10	74
Evening Grosbeak										1			1
House Sparrow	15	46	5	31	25	7				13	28	1	171
Total	1410	2560	933	893	111	131	85	169	143	1029	2308	173	9945
Leader	Group	Species	HrsCar	HrsFt	TotHrs	MlsCar	MlsFt	TotMls					
Hopkins	A	43	10.5	1.5	12	110	1.5	111.5					
Sole	B	35	5.5	1	6.5	30.5	1	31.5					
Piwowarski	C	35	6.5	2.5	9	41	2	43					
Bernstein	D	30	6	1	7	45	1	46					
Grace	E	10	2	1	3	29	1	30					
Ulmer	F	15	2	0	2	40	0	40					
Kern	G	18	0	8.5	8.5	0	0	0					
Specht	H	13	2.5	0	2.5	34	0	34					
Whitby	I	16	0	6	6	0	0	0					
Cook	J	42	3	6	9	63	2	65					
Schneider	K	46	7	3	10	84	3	87					
other feeders	L	19			14			0					
			45	30.5	89.5	476.5	11.5	488					

GROUPS

- A Drew Hopkins, Chris Franks, Tim O'Connor: 12 hours, 112 miles, 43 species; Great Horned Owl, Savannah Sparrow, Swamp Sparrow, Rusty Blackbird.
- B Marian Sole, Leigh McBride, Mack McCormack: 7 hours, 32 miles, 35 species; Killdeer, Barred Owl, Eastern Towhee.
- C John Piwowarski, Mike Nicosia: 9 hours, 43 miles, 35 species; Wood Duck, Red-shouldered Hawk, White-crowned Sparrow.
- D Roberta Bernstein, Viki Sand, Ingrid and Steve Bogel: 7 hours, 46 miles, 30 species.
- E Elisabeth Grace: 3 hours, 30 miles, 10 species; Northern Shrike.
- F Marion Ulmer, Mitzi Lobdell: 2 hours, 40 miles, 15 species.
- G Nancy Kern, Ellen Scott: 9 hours, 0 miles, 18 species.
- H Helen Specht, Carl Specht: 3 hours, 34 miles, 13 species.
- I Owen and Carol Whitby: 6 hours, 0 miles, 16 species.
- J Bill Cook, Jon Boulette, Will Yandik: 9 hours, 65 miles, 42 species; Sharp-shinned Hawk, Lesser Black-backed Gull, Great Black-backed Gull, Red-winged Blackbird, Common Grackle, Evening Grosbeak.
- K Kathryn Schneider, Alyssa FitzGerald, Tristan Lowery, Jeremy Kirchman: 10 hours, 87 miles, 46 species; Snow Goose, Black Vulture, Brown Creeper, Golden-crowned Kinglet.