Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report

Dates: February 20, 2010

Locations: Lake Conestee Nature Park, Greenville, SC

Leader: Jane Kramer

Comments: Submitted by Jane Kramer

Four GCBC members and 1 guest enjoyed a wonderful morning of birding. The weather was quite chilly to begin with but warmed up under a clear, blue sky. The Brown Thrashers were singing up and down the lake trail and it was a treat to see both the Red-shouldered Hawks and the Great Blue Herons on their nests. We also had a view of a Cooper's Hawk sitting up to his chest in the river. The Red-headed Woodpeckers are both now red-headed and in the same area so hopefully they will also be nesting.

Bird List:

Canada Goose  11
Wood Duck      2
Mallard        12
Hooded Merganser 2
Pied-billed Grebe 2
Great Blue Heron 3
Black Vulture   2
Turkey Vulture  2
Cooper's Hawk   1
Red-shouldered Hawk 2
Red-tailed Hawk  2
Killdeer       1
Rock Pigeon    2
Mourning Dove  6
Belted Kingfisher 1
Red-headed Woodpecker 2
Red-bellied Woodpecker 8
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker 4
Downy Woodpecker 4
Northern Flicker 3
Eastern Phoebe  4
Blue Jay       3
American Crow  2
Carolina Chickadee 5
Tufted Titmouse 5
Brown-headed Nuthatch 3
Brown Creeper  1
Carolina Wren  6
Golden-crowned Kinglet  3
Ruby-crowned Kinglet  5
Eastern Bluebird  5
Hermit Thrush  1
American Robin  5
Northern Mockingbird  3
Brown Thrasher  7
European Starling  10
Cedar Waxwing  8
Yellow-rumped Warbler  9
Pine Warbler  3
Eastern Towhee  11
Chipping Sparrow  3
Field Sparrow  1
Song Sparrow  12
Swamp Sparrow  3
White-throated Sparrow  7
Dark-eyed Junco  1
Northern Cardinal  9
Rusty Blackbird  75
Common Grackle  18
House Finch  2
American Goldfinch  10