Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report

Dates: October 11, 2008

Locations Cottonwood Trail, Spartanburg, SC

Leader Paul Serridge

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Seven club members (Dee Blackwood, Don Faulkner, Chip Gilbert, JB Hines, David Kirk, Barbara and Paul Serridge) spent a pleasant morning birding the Cottonwood Trail. The forecasted rain showers never materialized and conditions were very for birding good apart from a strong breeze which made warbler spotting in the upper branches somewhat difficult.

We reported a total of 46 species (see list below) including all 7 local Woodpecker species (the trail is one of the best places in the Upstate to observe Red-headed Woodpeckers), 8 Warbler species, and an immature male Rose-breasted Grosbeak. The Ruby-crowned Kinglet and Yellow-bellied Sapsucker were the first area reports this fall.

-- Paul Serridge

Bird List: Species:

Turkey Vulture Cooper's Hawk

Red-shouldered Hawk

Red-tailed Hawk Mourning Dove Barred Owl

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

Belted Kingfisher

Red-headed Woodpecker Red-bellied Woodpecker Yellow-bellied Sapsucker Downy Woodpecker Hairy Woodpecker

Hairy Woodpecker Northern Flicker Pileated Woodpecker

Eastern Phoebe

Blue Jay

American Crow

Fish Crow Carolina Chickadee **Tufted Titmouse** White-breasted Nuthatch Carolina Wren **Ruby-crowned Kinglet** Eastern Bluebird American Robin **Gray Catbird** Northern Mockingbird **Brown Thrasher European Starling** Tennessee Warbler Northern Parula Chestnut-sided Warbler Magnolia Warbler Black-throated Blue Warbler Black and White Warbler American Redstart Common Yellowthroat Scarlet Tanager **Chipping Sparrow** Song Sparrow Northern Cardinal Rose-breasted Grosbeak Common Grackle House Finch American Goldfinch



Eastern phoebe



Downy woodpecker



Gray catbird



Rose-breasted grosbeak



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