Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report

Date: August 17, 2013

Location: Lake Conestee Nature Park

Leader: Paul Serridge

Six GCBC members and two guests braved the poor weather forecast yesterday morning. We had a very few sprinkles of rain around 7 o'clock and needed our rain gear for the last few minutes.

We spent about an hour on the observation deck in the West Bay (near the beaver dams) but did not see the recently reported Tricolored Heron.

We then drove to Spanco and birded the paved trail loop where the highlights were a pair of Ospreys over the South Bay and 2 Yellow Warblers in the trees just past the first boardwalk.

The complete list of 38 species follows.

Paul

Wood Duck 4

Mallard 2

Great Blue Heron 2

Green Heron 1

Osprey 2 Circling over South Bay

Red-shouldered Hawk 2

Mourning Dove 3

Chimney Swift 1

Ruby-throated Hummingbird 2

Belted Kingfisher 2

Red-bellied Woodpecker 2

Downy Woodpecker 1

Hairy Woodpecker 1

Pileated Woodpecker 1

Eastewrn Wood-pewee 1

Eastern Phoebe 1

American Crow 2

Barn Swallow 2

Carolina Chickadee 2

Tufted Titmouse 2

White-breasted Nuthatch 2

Brown-headed Nuthatch 2

Carolina Wren 8

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 1

Eastern Bluebird 2

American Robin 7

Northern Mockingbird 1

Brown Thrasher 1

European Starling 34

Common Yellowthroat 1

Yellow Warbler 2 Just past short boardwalk below the Spanco trail-head

Northern Cardinal 9

Blue Grosbeak 2

Indigo Bunting 2

Red-winged Blackbird 2

Common Grackle 60

House Finch 1

American Goldfinch 8



Blue Grosbeak

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