Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report



Date: Saturday, June 21, 2014

Location: Lake Conestee Nature Park, Greenville, SC and Gunter Road, Piedmont, SC

Leaders: Paul Serridge and Denise Dupon

List &

Narrative: Paul Serridge

Photographs: Courtesy of Don Faulkner and Joan Baker

Species Total: 48 at LCNP and 11 at Gunter Road for 55 total species

Fifteen members and 1 guest participated. The Conestee outing was, in fact, two separate bird walks. A group of ten birded the East and West Bays starting at 7:00; a group of six birded the South Bay and the paved trail starting at 8:00. Both groups met up again at Spanco around 10:30.

The combined list of 48 species contained no surprises although the Hooded Warblers were the latest ever reported at Conestee. In fact, in prior years we had not

reported any Hooded Warblers in June, but this month they have been reported several times.

From Spanco, a smaller group of six drove to Gunter Road where the two adult Scissor-tailed Flycatchers were taking turns at the nest. It appeared that the nest might have contained young, but none was actually seen.

The weather was good and the two tiered approach to the 3^{rd} Saturday outing at Conestee was a success which merits being repeated.

The morning's species total was 55.





Species List:

Conestee birds: 48 species (about the same total as last year)

Canada Goose Mallard Great Blue Heron Red-shouldered Hawk Killdeer Mourning Dove Yellow-billed Cuckoo **Chimney Swift**

Ruby-throated Hummingbird Red-bellied Woodpecker Downy Woodpecker Acadian Flycatcher Eastern Phoebe Eastern Kingbird White-eyed Vireo

Blue Jay

Gunter Road birds: 11 species

Black Vulture Turkey Vulture Red-tailed Hawk Killdeer

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

American Crow Fish Crow Northern Rough-winged Swallow Barn Swallow Carolina Chickadee **Tufted Titmouse** Brown-headed Nuthatch Carolina Wren Blue-gray Gnatcatcher Eastern Bluebird

American Robin **Gray Catbird Brown Thrasher** Northern Mockingbird

European Starling

Purple Martin Field Sparrow

Northern Mockingbird Grasshopper Sparrow

Common Yellowthroat Hooded Warbler Northern Parula Pine Warbler Eastern Towhee **Chipping Sparrow** Field Sparrow Northern Cardinal Blue Grosbeak **Indigo Bunting** Red-winged Blackbird Common Grackle Brown-headed Cowbird Orchard Oriole

Indigo Bunting Eastern Meadowlark

American Goldfinch

House Finch



