## Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report

**Date:** January 28, 2017 Location: Santee National Wildlife Refuge – Bluff and Cuddo units Leader: Denise DuPon



Five intrepid birders braved the cold and the 6AM departure to travel to Santee NWR in search of Sandhill Crane and rare geese. We did find **the Cranes but dipped on the geese, surprisingly it wasn't until well** into the afternoon that we managed to add Canada Goose to the list.



Photos by Jo Anne Keasler

Some highlights were an adult male Northern Harrier and both Adult and juvenile Bald Eagle. We were also surprised by the sighting of 14 American White Pelicans, first spotted at a long distance on the water and later with a flyover.



Species list 48 Canada Goose Gadwall American Wigeon Mallard Northern Shoveler Northern Pintail Green-winged Teal Ring-necked Duck Redhead Pied-billed Grebe Double-crested Cormorant Anhinga American White Pelican Great Blue Heron Black Vulture **Turkey Vulture** 

Northern Harrier-Cooper's Hawk Bald Eagle Red-tailed Hawk American Coo Sandhill Crane Killdeer Ring-billed Gul-Mourning Dove Red-bellied Woodpecker Yellow-bellied Sapsucker Downy Woodpecker Northern Flicker Eastern Phoebe Blue-headed Vireo Blue Jay American Crow

Carolina Chickadee Tufted Titmouse Carolina Wren Blue-gray Gnatcatcher Golden-crowned Kinglet Ruby-crowned Kinglet Northern Mockingbird Black-and-white Warble Pine Warbler Chipping Sparrow White-throated Sparrow Swamp Sparrow Eastern Towhee Northern Cardinal Red-winged Blackbird