## Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report

**Date:** Sunday, September 24, 2017

**Location:** Wilson Farm **Event:** Group Outing

**Leaders:** Donnie Coody, Shelby Birch, and Chip Gilbert

Narrative: Donnie Coody **Species Total:** 45 species



## Logistics:

Twelve members and guests had a very enjoyable outing at Wilson Farm on Sunday, September 24 in perfect weather. This was a good turnout considering another club outing was held in the Mt. Mitchell area Saturday.

Birding was good with a few surprises. We had a few migrants, including ten warblers.

In all we identified 47 species. The best birds of the day were four Common Ravens that flew over in pairs.

We had an Empidonax that we could not positively identify. We also had a thrush that was thought to be a Swainson's, and a tanager that was likely a Scarlet. A cuckoo flushed from a tree, but no one saw it well enough to identify it as Yellow-billed or Black-billed. Although a Yellow-Billed Cuckoo is most likely since they nest in the area, at this time of the year it's possible that it was a migrating Black-billed.

The list of those we identified follows.

Thanks to Chip Gilbert for co-leading. His sharp eyes and broad knowledge are always a benefit to an outing.

American Crow

Wood Duck Great Blue Heron Black Vulture Turkey Vulture Red-shouldered Hawk Mourning Dove Yellow-billed Cuckoo Ruby-throated Hummingbird Red-bellied Woodpecker Downy Woodpecker Pileated Woodpecker Eastern Wood-Pewee Eastern Phoebe White-eyed Vireo Red-eyed Vireo Blue Jay

Common Raven
Carolina Chickadee
Tufted Titmouse
White-breasted Nuthatch
Carolina Wren
Eastern Bluebird
American Robin
Gray Catbird
Brown Thrasher
Northern Mockingbird
Cedar Waxwing
Black-and-white Warbler
Common Yellowthroat
Hooded Warbler
American Redstart

Chestnut-sided Warbler
Palm Warbler
Pine Warbler
Yellow-rumped Warbler
Chipping Sparrow
Eastern Towhee
Summer Tanager
Northern Cardinal
Rose-breasted Grosbeak
Blue Grosbeak
Eastern Meadowlark
Common Grackle
American Goldfinch

Northern Parula

Magnolia Warbler