Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report

Date: February 17, 2018

Location: Lake Conestee Nature Park **Leaders:** Paul Serridge and Denise DuPon



See below for a summary of both the regular and shorter walks.

Regular (Longer) Walk

Cool (50F), moderate wind, 100% overcast.

8 GCBC members birded along the Reedy, in the West Bay and at Woodie Walk before driving to Spanco.

8 was a good turnout considering the weather forecast.

At the start I suggested that we might see Osprey, Great Egret, and, if we were lucky, Brown Creeper. We had good looks at all 3 and also got Winter Wren! Sometimes you get lucky!

Below is a composite of 4 ebird reports submitted by participants.

44 species (total)

Canada Goose 12

Wood Duck 8

Mallard 9

Hooded Merganser 2

American Bittern 1

Great Blue Heron 12 At nests in West Bay.

Great Egret 1 Seen in West Bay. Continuing bird. All-white egret with large bright yellow bill.

Turkey Vulture 1

Osprey 1 Continuing bird seen perched and then flying in West Bay. later seen flying at South Bay.

Unmistakable! Distinctive black and white plumage with dark mask through the eye.

Cooper's Hawk 1

Red-shouldered Hawk 1

Killdeer 1 On ball-field at start of outing.

Mourning Dove 1

Red-headed Woodpecker 2

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker 1

Northern Flicker 2

Downy Woodpecker 1

Eastern Phoebe 3

American Crow 7

Carolina Chickadee 4

Tufted Titmouse 2

White-breasted Nuthatch 1

Brown-headed Nuthatch 3

Brown Creeper 1

Winter Wren 1

Carolina Wren 5

Golden-crowned Kinglet 4

Ruby-crowned Kinglet 3

American Robin 19

Brown Thrasher 2

Northern Mockingbird 1

European Starling 4

Pine Warbler 2

Yellow-rumped Warbler 4

Dark-eyed Junco 2

Field Sparrow 3

White-throated Sparrow 8

Song Sparrow 2

Swamp Sparrow 2

Eastern Towhee 1

Northern Cardinal 13

Red-winged Blackbird 9

House Finch 1

American Goldfinch 2

Good birding,

Paul

Shorter Walk

Here is the species list for the shorter walk at LCNP yesterday. The day started slowly but we managed to put together a good list of sightings. We had three birders new to the club on our outing, always a pleasure to have fresh eyes on our outings.

-Denise

Lake Conestee Nature Park, Greenville, South Carolina, US Feb 17, 2018 7:50 AM - 11:15 AM Protocol: Traveling 0.9 mile(s) 37 species (+1 other taxa)

Canada Goose 4

Wood Duck 2

Mallard 13

Hooded Merganser 2

Pied-billed Grebe 1

Great Blue Heron 12

Great Egret 1

Turkey Vulture 1

Accipiter sp. 1

Mourning Dove 2

Red-headed Woodpecker 1

Red-bellied Woodpecker 2

Downy Woodpecker 2

Northern Flicker 1

Blue Jay 7

American Crow 1

Carolina Chickadee 1

Tufted Titmouse 3

White-breasted Nuthatch 1

Brown-headed Nuthatch 3

Carolina Wren 7

Golden-crowned Kinglet 3

Ruby-crowned Kinglet 2

Eastern Bluebird 3

Hermit Thrush 1

American Robin 2

Brown Thrasher 2

Pine Warbler 2

Yellow-rumped Warbler 1

White-throated Sparrow 3

Song Sparrow 1

Swamp Sparrow 1

Eastern Towhee 6

Northern Cardinal 9

Red-winged Blackbird 4

Rusty Blackbird 120

House Finch 5

American Goldfinch 3

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