



San Elijo Lagoon CONSERVANCY

San Elijo Bird Count Results: August 9, 2010

Dear Supporting Member,

Here are recent bird count results from the San Elijo Lagoon Ecological Reserve & Cardiff State Beach.

Number of Helpers

13 volunteers participated in the bird count on Monday, August 9, 2010

Thank you!

Number of Species

87 species were found

Next Count

Monday, September 13, 7:30 am at [Rios Avenue Trailhead](#)* (2nd Monday of the month, rain or shine)

Everyone is welcome to participate. Please contact Robert Patton via email at birds@SanElijo.org for more information.

Bring a lunch or pick up one nearby & we'll meet to compile at noon at the nature center (SE of the intersection of Manchester Ave & San Elijo Ave).

*Meet at the north end of Rios Ave. in Solana Beach at 7:30 a.m. (from I-5, exit on Lomas Santa Fe & head west, turn north on Rios Ave. which is just east of Highway 101 & the railroad tracks).

Species Focus

Notable species included a least bittern seen from the eastern mesa, Cassin's auklets seen from the beach, Allen's and Selasphorus sp. hummingbirds along the Rios trail, Bell's vireo in the large willows north of Rios trailhead.

I apologize for the delayed posting of results but have had computer problems. Enthusiastic thank yous to Maryanne

Submitted Photo



(click the picture to view gallery)

This month's volunteer birders:

Maryanne Bache, Tom Blackman, Steve Brad, Bob Chaddock, Gail DeLalla, Leroy Dorman, Janine Free, Linda Jones, Jayne Lesley, Steve Perry, Elizabeth Venrick, Jim Wilson, Frank Wong.

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Bache for coordinating this month's count & typing up the results summary!

- Robert Patton

Species List

pie-billed grebe, brown pelican, double-crested cormorant, least bittern, great blue heron, great egret, snowy egret, green heron, black-crowned night-heron, white-faced ibis, mallard, gadwall, osprey, white-tailed kite, Cooper's hawk, red-shouldered hawk, red-tailed hawk, American kestrel, clapper rail, black-bellied plover, snowy plover, semipalmated plover, killdeer, black-necked stilt, American avocet, greater yellowlegs, willet, spotted sandpiper, whimbrel, long-billed curlew, marbled godwit, black turnstone, sanderling, western sandpiper, least sandpiper, dowitcher, Heermann's gull, ring-billed gull, California gull, western gull, Caspian tern, royal tern, Forster's tern, least tern, black skimmer, Cassin's auklet, rock pigeon, mourning dove, Vaux's swift, white-throated swift, Anna's hummingbird, Allen's hummingbird, Selasphorus sp., Nuttall's woodpecker, downy woodpecker, black phoebe, ash-throated flycatcher, Cassin's kingbird, tree swallow, N. rough-winged swallow, cliff swallow, barn swallow, western scrub jay, American crow, bushtit, Bewick's wren, house wren, marsh wren, California gnatcatcher, western bluebird, wrentit, northern mockingbird, California thrasher, European starling, Bell's vireo, common yellowthroat, yellow-breasted chat, black-headed grosbeak, spotted towhee, California towhee, Belding's savannah sparrow, song sparrow, red-winged blackbird, house finch, lesser goldfinch, house sparrow, nutmeg mannikin

Share Your Observations

You can report your own observations by sending an email to sightings@SanElijo.org.

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