

Bird Count Results: Dec. 10, 2018

— Submitted by Robert Patton

San Elijo Lagoon Ecological Reserve & Cardiff State Beach

Bird species recorded: 103 **Total birds counted: 3067**

Volunteer Birders: Elizabeth Venrick, Dave Carey, Jayne Lesley, Kathy Aldern, Steve Perry, Steve Brad, Gail DeLalla, Robert Patton, Maryanne Bache, Alys Arenas, Don Johnson, Jeff Clingan, Tom Walker

Next count: 7:30 am on January 14, 2019 at Rios Avenue Trailhead

Notable Species: Reddish egret in WB, male Eurasian wigeon near NC, Loggerhead shrike NW of overlook at Santa Carina, Rufous-crowned sparrow on Rios East



Rufous-crowned Sparrow

Species List:

Species	Total	Species	Total	Species	Total
Pacific Loon	1	Greater Yellowlegs	3	House Wren	13
Loon sp.	3	Willet	49	Marsh Wren	8
Pied-billed Grebe	15	Spotted Sandpiper	2	Wren sp.	2
Western Grebe	65	Whimbrel	10	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	6
Brown Pelican	30	Long-billed Curlew	9	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	7
Double-crested Cormorant	31	Ruddy Turnstone	1	California Gnatcatcher	23
Great Blue Heron	8	Black Turnstone	1	Western Bluebird	16
Great Egret	17	Sanderling	50	Hermit Thrush	34
Reddish Egret	3	Western Sandpiper	5	Wrentit	20
Snowy Egret	9	Least Sandpiper	27	Northern Mockingbird	7
Black-crowned Night-Heron	1	Least/Western Sandpiper	66	California Thrasher	14
Green-winged Teal	55	Short-billed/Long-billed Dowitcher	64	American Pipit	22
Mallard	111	Heermann's Gull	6	Cedar Waxwing	69
Northern Pintail	30	Ring-billed Gull	14	Loggerhead Shrike	1
Northern Shoveler	52	California Gull	15	European Starling	41
Gadwall	77	Herring Gull	1	Hutton's Vireo	1
Eurasian Wigeon	2	Western Gull	19	Orange-crowned Warbler	4
American Wigeon	354	Gull sp.	22	Yellow-rumped Warbler (Audubon's)	142
Bufflehead	15	Royal Tern	21	Yellow-rumped Warbler (form?)	6
Red-breasted Merganser	5	Rock Pigeon	29	Common Yellowthroat	57
Ruddy Duck	2	Eurasian Collared-Dove	1	Spotted Towhee	16
Duck sp.	7	Mourning Dove	53	California Towhee	59
Osprey	9	Anna's Hummingbird	97	Rufous-crowned Sparrow	1
White-tailed Kite	6	Allen's Hummingbird	9	Savannah Sparrow (Belding's)	36
Northern Harrier	9	Rufous/Allen's Hummingbird	10	Savannah Sparrow (western group)	5
Sharp-shinned Hawk	2	Belted Kingfisher	2	Savannah Sparrow (form?)	1
Cooper's Hawk	4	Nuttall's Woodpecker	11	Song Sparrow	57
Red-shouldered Hawk	6	Downy Woodpecker	3	Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Red-tailed Hawk	12	Northern Flicker (Red-shafted)	2	White-crowned Sparrow	101
American Kestrel	13	Black Phoebe	28	Red-winged Blackbird	20
Peregrine Falcon	2	Say's Phoebe	17	Western Meadowlark	21
California Quail	1	Cassin's Kingbird	24	Great-tailed Grackle	35
Ridgway's Rail	6	Tree Swallow	8	House Finch	194
American Coot	57	California Scrub-Jay	6	Lesser Goldfinch	16
Black-bellied Plover	10	American Crow	38	House Sparrow	19
Snowy Plover	74	Common Raven	7	Scaly-breasted Munia	11
Semipalmated Plover	8	Bushtit	117		
Killdeer	19	Bewick's Wren	3		