



The Kite Call

Ohlone Audubon Society, Inc.

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Calendar

Feb. 7	Membership Meeting, Pleasanton
Feb. 11	Cosumnes River & Delta—Cranes
Feb. 17-21	Great Backyard Bird Count
Feb. 18-19	San Joaquin Refuges
Feb. 21	Board Meeting, Call Evelyn Cormier
Feb. 23	Tyson's Lagoon, Fremont
Mar. 7	Membership Meeting, DESFBNWR, Fremont
Mar. 7	Deadline for Apr. 1-May 15 Kite Call
Mar. 18	El Charro, Pleasanton
Mar. 21	Board Meeting, Call Evelyn Cormier

Membership Meetings

Date: February 7 Time 7:30 p.m.
Place: Pleasanton Middle School
 500 Case Avenue
Topic: Woodpecker Wonderland
Presenter: Stephen Shunk

Join Oregon naturalist, Steve Shunk, for this exciting introduction to the ecology and natural history of Central Oregon's woodpeckers and other 12 species of North American woodpeckers with an emphasis on unique behaviors and hybridization within the Picinae subfamily.

To reach Pleasanton Middle School from San Jose, take I-680 north. From Hayward take I-580 east to I-680 south. From Livermore, take I-580 west to I-680 south. Once on I-680, take the Bernal exit and head east on Bernal Avenue to Case Avenue. Turn right on Case. The school is located on the right, about midway down the street. We meet in the library, which is to the left once you enter the campus.

Date: March 7 Time: 7:30 p. m.
Place: Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center.
Topic: Treasures of Central and Western Panama
Presenters: Phil and Pat Gordon, Ray Fontaine, and Sam High

A multimedia depiction and stories of eco-adventure by participants in the OAS Panama Trip 2005. Photos, both film and digital, of birds, plants, and insect critters will provide enlightening and entertaining views of this tropical world. The presenters have put their collective images and memories together to create a program they hope all will enjoy.

You will visit many of the not-to-be-missed birding locations in this bio-diverse tropical country: Old Gamboa Rd, Panama Canal & Gatun Lake, Soberania National Park & Canopy Tower, Summit Gardens, the Ecological Camp, "Champion," Anchiote Rd, Chiriqui Highlands, Cerro Punta & Los Quetzales Lodges, Amistad International Park, El Rancho Ecologico Willie Mazu, Isla Colon and Pajaro Caye, Bocas del Toro, Tocumen Marsh, and others. You'll meet one of the foremost naturalists and conservationists of the country and his family.

Birds featured include: Gray-necked Wood-Rail, Rufescent Tiger-Heron, Wattled Jacana, Red-billed Tropicbird, Brown Booby, Harpy Eagle, White Hawk, Roadside Hawk, Red-lore Amazon, Orange-chinned Parakeet, Striped Cuckoo, Great Potoo, several of the 21 hummingbirds found, Resplendent Quetzal, Prong-billed Barbet, Pied Water-Tyrant, Great Kiskadee, Long-tailed Silky-Flycatcher, Ruddy-breasted Seedeater, Slaty Flowerpiercer—not to mention many of Sam's butterfly pictures, and stories about the other 280 birds that escaped our cameras.

To reach the Don Edwards National Wildlife Refuge, from I-880 take SR-84 (at the east end of the Dumbarton Bridge), exit at Thornton Avenue. (From Mission Blvd go west on Decoto Rd to Thornton.) Travel south on Thornton Avenue for 0.8 miles to the Refuge entrance on the right. Turn right into the Refuge and follow Marshlands Road to the stop sign. Turn left into the parking lot. Go up the main entrance stairs (on the Bay side) to the Visitor Center's exhibit hall.

Coming April 4!

Birds and Butterflies of South Texas and Northeastern Mexico
 at Carlton Plaza of Fremont, 3800 Walnut Avenue,
 with Bob Stewart —MT

Please bring your recyclable cup to membership meetings so you may enjoy a beverage with light refreshments after the presentations. —MB

Field Trips

Feb. 11, Sat. 9:30 a. m., Cranes and Swans in the Delta, Leader: Bill Scoggins 510.581.5186

Join us in the Central Valley to view the stately birds that stand five feet tall and present a seven foot wingspan. Tundra Swans and a variety of ducks are also usually seen on this trip.

Meet in the parking lot at the Consumnes River Preserve at 9:30 a. m. Take Interstate 5 to Twin Cities Road exit, about midway between Stockton and Sacramento. Follow Twin Cities Road east to Franklin Boulevard. Turn right (south) on Franklin Boulevard. Continue down Franklin, and park in the large parking lot just past the visitor center. We will end our field trip at the Phil & Marilyn Isenberg Crane Preserve on Woodbridge Rd. (east of I-5). There are no restroom facilities at Isenberg.

Feb. 18-19, Sat. & Sun. 8:30 a. m., San Joaquin Valley Refuges and Little Panoche Road, Phil Gordon 510.538.3550

We are going to make our annual jaunt to the southern refuges, starting at the Paicines Reservoir. Saturday morning, meet at the reservoir, just south of the town of Tres Pinos. It is on the west side of SR-25, south of the town of Hollister. From there, we will proceed down Little Panoche Road looking for Bald Eagles, Lewis Woodpeckers, Mountain Bluebirds, Vesper and Lark Sparrows, Mountain Plovers and a good assortment of other raptors.

We plan to have dinner at The Wool Growers Inn, a Basque restaurant in Los Banos. Campers can spend the night at the Basalt Campground at San Luis Reservoir. Local motels include Motel 6, 209.826.6644, and the Holiday Express, 209.826.8282.

Sunday will be spent sorting through ducks and geese for that "rare" one. We will bird O'Neil Forebay, then San Luis and Merced Refuges. To meet the leaders at the forebay parking area, proceed south about 1 mile from Santa Nella on SR-33. If coming from the Basalt Campground, proceed north on SR-33. The parking area is just north of the canal and is signed. If time permits, we will go home via Santa Fe Grade Road.

Trip will go rain or shine; only heavy flooding cancels.

Feb. 23, Thu. 8:30 a. m., Tyson's Lagoon, Leader: Sandy Ferriera

Tyson's Lagoon, a tule pond system east of the Fremont BART station, is a storm water demonstration project carried out by the Alameda County Conservation District in coordination with the City of Fremont and the Math/Science Nucleus. Three restored and revegetated ponds effectively clean storm water that feeds into the lagoon. Meet Sandy at the front gates at Tule Ponds, 1999 Walnut Ave., Fremont. Additional parking may be available at the BART station.

Mar. 18, Sat. 9 a. m., Pleasanton, El Charro Area, Leader: Rich Cimino

This is a new area for OAS to explore. The Zone 7 Water District is allowing Ohlone to enter their El Charro Road property, where Arroyo Mocho and Arroyo Las Positas meet. A Zone 7 employee will open the normally locked gates for us. This will be a good chance for a close-up view of the fish ladders installed by Zone 7 for the return of salmon to traditional spawning creeks. There will not be a lot of walking.

Meet at the Zone 7 gate. Take I-580 east to El Charro Rd exit; turn right about a quarter mile in. Please park along the wide shoulder of the road, although we may be allowed to park inside the locked area. Rain does NOT cancel. —staff

Welcome New Members

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW AND RENEWING OHLONE MEMBERS!

Ohlone sends a warm welcome and thank you to the following new and renewing chapter members:

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Janice & Roger Anderman, Deborah Brusco, Lynn T. Feindel, Elsa Glines, Steve Huckabone, Mr. & Mrs. Phil Iwata, Louisa Jaskulski, Sheila Junge, Ruth and Mickey Levenson, Eva Gayle Marion, Gene and Judy Matthew, Sherry Mattson, Susan Mayfield, Mr. & Mrs. Hans Mortensen, Nel O'Neil, Paula Nelson, Maureen Newey, Pam & Ed Reuling, Steve Rentmeesters, Susan Stanton, Mary Steel, Jerry & Judy Steenhoven, Joanne Sarg Wallin, Holly & Barry Walter, Paul Williams —PAG

Bette Wentzel Library

Jim Ross has donated several books on raptors to the Bette Wentzel Library. His most recent contributions will be on display at the March membership meeting. The books include *Hawks of North America*, by William S. Clark & Brian K. Wheeler; *Eagles Over the River*, by Jean Clausen; *Hawks, Owls and Wildlife*, by John J. Craighead & Frank C. Craighead; *Hawks; Hunter on the Wing*, by Dick Dekker; *Birds of Prey*, by Ian Newton; *Birds of Prey*, by Leonard Lee Rue III; *On the Wing*, by Alan Tennant; and *North American Birds of Prey*, by Scott Weidensaul. We thank Jim for his contributions. For further information on these and other items in the library, call Margaret at 925.443.3073. —MCE

Great Backyard Bird Count

The Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) returns for its ninth season February 17-20, 2006. The National Audubon Society, Wild Birds Unlimited, and the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology encourage everyone to COUNT BIRDS WITH A BUDDY! Bird enthusiasts of all ages can share their love of birds with a friend, a child, a scout troop, a class, or a co-worker-opening new eyes to the joy of birding and the fun of creating a unique snapshot of winter bird abundance and distribution across the continent. Every pair of eyes is needed and every bird counts.

In 2005, participants sent in more than 52,000 checklists, with a record-breaking 613 species and more than 6 million birds. These millions of sightings generate what would be impossible otherwise—continent-wide information about where the birds are and how their numbers compare with those of previous years. Anyone with Internet access can see the results in maps and charts as the sightings pour in. Last year participants sent in more than 1,000 photos and many are now part of the GBBC web site gallery.

Everyone can participate, from beginning bird watchers to seasoned experts. During the count, bird watchers tally up birds for as little as 15 minutes, or for as long as they like, keeping track of the highest number of each bird species they see together at one time. People are encouraged to report birds from public lands and local parks, as well as from their backyards. Participants enter their numbers at <http://www.birdsource.org/gbbc> and can explore sightings maps, lists, and charts as the count progresses.

There is no fee or registration for the event. Wild Birds Unlimited sponsors it. Contact the Cornell Lab of Ornithology at 800.843.2473 or <mailto:cornellbirds@cornell.edu>.

Ohlone Audubon Society

The Second Ten Years as Recorded in *The Kite Call*

In 1976, Pat Schumpelt began her term as editor, and left it as Pat Gordon in 1985. The monthly meetings had moved to San Felipe Park in Hayward. Elsie Richey was elected to the first of two terms as President.

By this time, OAS was offering three or four field trips per month, unlike the first few years, when one monthly trip was the rule. Phil Gordon and Dr. Howard Cogswell continued to lead several trips per year, but now were joined by other local birders, including Eugene Makishima, Owen Hughes, Gloria Gaylord, Pat Hayes, Doris Griffin, Lee Main (Ellis), Malca Chall, and Jean Marie Spoelman

During the decade, we followed with interest a number of local and regional issues. Garin Woods and Robert's Landing were threatened with development. BART announced plans to plant Tyson Lagoon with native plants. We joined other Bay Area Audubon Society chapters in their concerns about the Peripheral Canal, San Pablo Bay State Wetlands Reserve, American River flows, the Wetlands Preservation Act and the Santa Clara County super sewer. This is a representative list, it does not include all the important issues.

The Kite Call reported OAS supported Point Reyes Bird Observatory, International Bird Rescue, Tri City Ecology Center, Audubon Camp of the West, and the Fremont Animal Care Center by donations or memberships. The bylaws were amended to establish the Publicity Committee. During the decade, Elsie called for help (6% of members are carrying the load.), Phil Gordon and Alice Hoch offered birding classes that raised interest in membership in the chapter. It sometimes seems that things never change.

The presidential roster in the second decade:

Elsie Richey in 1976 and 1977

Pat Hayes in 1978,

John Giguette in 1979 and part of 1980

Pat Hayes in 1980

Owen Hughes in 1981 and 1982

Treet Pelletier in 1983 and 1984

John Page in 1985

Following are two articles from *The Kite Call* in OAS's second ten years. President Owen Hughes wrote the first one in 1981. The concerns and events have changed, but the message still applies:

"President's Message

"Ohlone Audubon has achieved mature stature through the able leadership of its great presidents, board members - and members. We are looked up to by many other Audubon chapters. City Councils and the Alameda County Board of Supervisors know we exist, and in general are glad of our presence. San Francisco Bay has become a better habitat for all creatures, thanks, in part, to Ohlone's efforts on behalf of the San Francisco Bay Wildlife Refuge and the Hayward Shoreline.

"I am not afraid of this, so long as our motivation is to seek Audubon's unique goal: To provide living space for every species.

"However, we have not ducked controversy. Our joining the Sierra Club's suit against the City of Hayward possibly caused some strained relations with Ohlone's mother city. Our motives were unimpeachable: Protection of the environment. Our involvement in the issues of the Peripheral Canal and the Condor

program has probably offended some people, in, and out, of Audubon.

"We can be faulted if we fail to listen to our membership - so this is my appeal, as the new year begins: SPEAK UP! BE HEARD!

"The board welcomes you at all board meetings and committee meetings. Chapters of National Audubon are run by their boards; however, boards carry out what they believe to be the wishes of the membership. We seek your input. Give me a call or drop me a note. Owen Hughes, President"

The second article is an example of the educational material published in the *Kite Call*. In 1979 Phil Gordon wrote:

"MEET OUR STATE REPTILE DESERT TORTOISE

"Gopherus agassizi is still around as a 200,0,000 year old descendant perfectly adapted to its desert habitat. This flower-picker starts looking for "munchies" when warm springtime temperatures bring the tortoise out of its 4-5 foot burrow, home of the past 6 months. Body fat and water, which are stored in a special bladder just under its shell top, are soon replenished after the long hibernation. When temperatures become too extreme the desert tortoise escapes into the moderate world of its burrow. After 15-20 years a bachelor tortoise may be mature enough to mate some spring or summer. Three to 14 eggs are laid and buried in the sand. After hatching, a baby tortoise may live off the remaining shell until the following spring.

"I recall once holding a baby tortoise in the Mojave Desert. It was quite delicate with a very flexible shell, quite vulnerable to predators. When placed on the **ground** beside a couple of owl pellets that had been collected, it proceeded to eat almost all of the bones and fur of one pellet - what tenacity! I no longer pick up any wild tortoise since a frightened tortoise will sometimes discharge its entire water supply possibly leading to death by dehydration.

"Since 1961 a California State Law prohibits removal of tortoises from any natural habitat. The declining population had been affected by competing cows and sheep which ate the same food or crushed burrows with their feet. Cars and motorcycles also crushed burrows and tortoises when off-loading. Where minerals such as oil and gas, iron or salts were mined, man and his machines destroyed tortoise habitat. This called for the above legislation and recently a six mile by eight mile (14,500 acres) Desert Tortoise Natural Area with a 29 mile fence against livestock and vehicles has been established by the Bureau of Land Management in Kern County. This progress in doing something about a serious problem in wildlife management is most encouraging and gives one hope that understanding of natural balances and concern for plants and animals **living** with us on our planet can lead to wise actions. Hopefully tortoises born this year will all still have a natural home in their old age - 80-100 years from now!
(Phil Gordon)"

During the second decade *The Kite Call* benefited from excellent contributors and editing. In the next issue the saga of Ohlone Audubon Society will continue with a summary of the years from 1986 to 1995.

*Happy Birthday,
Ohlone Audubon Society!!!*

2005 Christmas Bird Count

December 18, 2005 Sunday

Comments like "Overall day = lowest species and individual numbers I can remember", "Worst birding day I have ever had!," describes our CBC this year. The weather was horrible—stormy, gusty winds, mud, undriveable roads, and lots of rain in down-pours! In spite of this though, everyone knuckled down and did a great job. Our species count now stands at 166! This is an average number for us. Everyone did so well and we really appreciate your efforts. The individual counts are down however, because of the weather and inaccessibility to the bay for several areas. The inland coverage, however, was very good. Our total individuals count is about 97,780, far below our expected numbers. The numbers are tabled on page 45.

Highlights included a Western Tanager in Area 1 and a surprise Rose-breasted Grosbeak at a feeder! We had at least three White-throated Sparrows this year and 325 Tricolored Blackbirds were found at Cull Canyon Regional Park, along with two long-term visitors, a pair of White Pelicans. Tree Swallows have become long-term visitors and Barn Swallows made another appearance. Probably because of the storm, approximately 3000 California Gulls were found inland. Wild Turkeys (118) were found in the hills along with the sometimes missed Horned Larks.

As mentioned, our shorebird counts are really low. For instance only 19 Snowy Plovers were found, as only about one-quarter of the Eden landing Ecological Preserve could be birded. Our Western Sandpiper count is low at 3782 compared with 22,125 in 2000.

We want to thank each and everyone one of you for your enthusiastic effort. We also want to particularly thank our leaders including Ed Pandolfino for bringing his team and birding the Don Edwards area (thanks for the Rock Wren and two American Bitterns); Neal Kernes for driving the San Mateo Bridge twice for our "pelagics" and then finding a Selaphorus hummingbird inland; Sue Reneberg for organizing the Tennyson High School team; Lee Ellis and her team for the hard core hill effort; Jimm Edgar for coming from the Mt. Diablo area to help us; David Philleo for putting together the central Fremont area; John Luther

for taking over Area 7; Hans Mortenson and his family and team for finding birding areas in the overdeveloped south shoreline area; Steve Huckabone and Maggie Clark (Coyote Hills) for pulling out some decent shorebird numbers along with Peter Dramer, Sheila Junge, and Steve Glover; We also want to thank our other inland team for birding those important areas in our urban settings, including Ramona Bennett; Sue Stanton and team for taking over Area 1; the Emerys and Bathgates for actually going out owling in the horrible weather; Malca Chall in Area 3 with new CBC birders Stan and Vicki Stadelman; and Kevin Hints, who walks Ward Creek for us. Thanks also go to our feeder watchers! We would never have got the Rose breasted Grosbeak without Cheryl Boulton reporting her find.

Finally, we all owe our thanks to the hospitality of Ohlone, including Mona Brauer for cooking turkey and ham. Her helpers in serving were Allen and Jackie Bertillion, Evelyn Cormier, Margaret Emery and Ned Lyke. It was a warm and delicious dinner.

Pat and Phil Gordon, Co-compilers

2005 CBC Participants

Charlotte Allen, Ron Barklow, Bob and Liz Bathgate, Ramona Bennett, Allen and Jackie Bertillion, Marc Better, Estrella and Jerry Bibbey, George and Kay Bloom, Cheryl Boulton, Mona Brauer, Art Carey, Malca Chall, William Charles, Nancy Christensen, Maggie Clark, Gary Cooper, Cathy Critchfield, Frank and Janice Delfino, Peter Dramer, Jimm Edgar, Lee and Rick Ellis, Don and Margaret Emery, Sandy Ferrerira, Kathy Fox, Christina Garcia, Steve Glover, Pat and Phil Gordon, Lloyd Hartshorn, Cliff Hawley, the High Family, Kevin Hints, Alice Hoch, Steve Huckabone, Sheila Junge, Gayle Kahrs, Neal Kernes, Pooja Lal, Robin Leong, John Luther, Carol and Ned Lyke, Joan Mancini, Marty Morrow, Alvera, Hans, and Michael Mortensen, Ed Pandolfino, Barbara Pendergrass, George and Sally Peterson, David Philleo, Terry Preston, Susan Reneberg, Kathy Robertson, Ted Robertson, Jean Robinson, Bill Rose, Jim Ross, Brenda Senturia, Petra Shewer, Jana Sokale, Jean-Marie Spoelman, Stan and Vicki Stadelman, Susan Stanton, Nancy Storch, Jerry and Judy Steenhoven, Anna Wilcox, Fred Wolin, Jim and Joann Wood. —PAG

Anniversary Party

You may have noticed that this is the 40th year of Ohlone's existence. We are planning a party to celebrate the anniversary on June 6 at our annual every-member picnic. There will be stirring speeches and cake for dessert after the potluck feast. Be sure to reserve the date and plan to bring your memories and anecdotes to share. In fact, if you have memories that should be added to the series abstracted from earlier Kite Calls, let the editor know. The 1976-1985 installment is printed in this issue. The 1986-1995 years will be in the April 1-May 14 issue and the last ten will be in the May 15-June 30 issue. Submissions should be brief, but it would be great to hear what you considered to be Ohlone's significant events. The *Kite Call* deadline is a month before the issue date, e. g., March 1 for the April 1-May 14 issue. —DE

**Feliz Navidad, Ohlone
Audubon Society!**

Nominations Due

We must vote on the slate of officers at our May membership meeting, so it is high time to choose the work you want to do for the chapter. Two definite openings are those of the two secretaries, corresponding and recording. The one writes a few letters each month and the other records the minutes of board meetings. There is an opening for a three-year appointment as a Director-at-large. Other offices may be available. Look at the back page and pick a title you would like to have, then call Evelyn.

Art Lotto

Hans Peeters, coauthor of *Raptors of California*, has generously donated to Ohlone Audubon Society an original of one of the illustrations in the book. As much as we would like to keep and treasure it, we feel that it would be better to allow some member or friend to keep it in his/her home. To that end, we are offering it as the top prize in a lottery. Details will be revealed at the membership meetings and in *The Kite Call*.

2005 CBC Results

No.	Species	total	No.	Species	total	No.	Species	total	No.	Species	total
1	Pied-billed Grebe	74	44	Northern Harrier	39	90	Western Gull	69	132	Varied Thrush	7
2	Horned Grebe	5	45	Sharp-shinned Hawk	6	91	Glaucous-winged Gull	261	133	Wrentit	5
3	Red-necked Grebe	1							134	Northern Mockingbird	76
4	Eared Grebe	1807	46	Cooper's Hawk	19		Western x Glaucous-winged Gull	3	135	California Thrasher	1
5	Western Grebe	11	47	Red-shouldered Hawk	22				136	European Starling	1857
6	Clark's Grebe	8							137	American Pipit	239
	Aechmophorus sp	6	48	Red-tailed Hawk	87				138	Cedar Waxwing	346
7	American White Pelican	113	49	Golden Eagle adult	3	92	Forster's Tern	3	139	Orange-crowned Warbler	3
				immature	2	93	Rock Pigeon	2119	140	Yellow-rumped Warbler	197
8	Brown Pelican	25			1	94	Mourning Dove	655		"Myrtle"	139
9	Double-cr Cormorant	272	50	American Kestrel	165	95	Barn Owl	4		"Audubon's"	295
			51	Merlin	4	96	Great Horned Owl	1	141	Townsend's Warbler	18
10	Pelagic Cormorant	2	52	Peregrine Falcon	6	97	Burrowing Owl	3	142	Common Yellowthroat	25
11	American Bittern	2	53	Ring-necked Pheasant	8	98	Anna's Hummingbird	170	143	Western Tanager	1
12	Great Blue Heron	40							144	Spotted Towhee	56
13	Great Egret	124	54	Wild Turkey	118	99	Selasphorus sp.	1	145	California Towhee	188
14	Snowy Egret	140	55	California Quail	63	100	Belted Kingfisher	8	146	Rufous-crowned Sparrow	1
15	Green Heron	6	56	Clapper Rail	1	101	Acorn Woodpecker	4	147	Savannah Sparrow	194
16	Blk-cr Night Heron	41	57	Virginia Rail	23	102	Red-breasted Sapsucker	3	148	Fox Sparrow	79
17	Turkey Vulture	205	58	Sora	9	103	Nuttall's Woodpecker	37	149	Song Sparrow	176
18	Greater White-fronted Goose	8	59	Common Moorhen	12				150	Lincoln's Sparrow	29
			60	American Coot	2916	104	Downy Woodpecker	10	151	White-throated Sparrow	4
19	Snow Goose	7	61	Black-bellied Plover	3915				152	Black Phoebe	152
20	Canada Goose	1268	62	Snowy Plover	19	105	Hairy Woodpecker	2	153	Say's Phoebe	17
21	Cackling Goose	2	63	Semi-palmated Plover	23	106	Northern Flicker	47	154	White-crowned Sparrow	1714
	"Cackling" morph	32							155	Golden-crowned Sparrow	1101
	"Aleutian" morph	12	64	Killdeer	224	107	"Red-shafted"	44	156	Red-winged Blackbird	1593
22	Gadwall	643	65	Black-necked Stilt	1016				157	Tri-colored Blackbird	346
23	American Wigeon	2705	66	American Avocet	1871	108	Say's Phoebe	17	158	Western Meadowlark	415
24	Mallard	1152	67	Greater Yellowlegs	109	109	Loggerhead Shrike	9	159	Brewer's Blackbird	778
25	Cinnamon Teal	64	68	Lesser Yellowlegs	9	110	Hutton's Vireo	6	160	Great-tailed Grackle	12
26	Northern Shoveler	3470	69	Willet	2220	111	Steller's Jay	71	161	Brown-headed Cowbird	28
27	Northern Pintail	1734	70	Spotted Sandpiper	3	112	Western Scrub Jay	200	162	Purple Finch	2
28	Green-winged Teal	568	71	Whimbrel	3	113	American Crow	547	163	House Finch	1735
	"American" duck sp.	3	72	Long-billed Curlew	283	114	Common Raven	20	164	Lesser Goldfinch	272
		3925	73	Marbled Godwit	3346	115	Horned Lark	79	165	American Goldfinch	201
29	Canvasback	364	74	Black Turnstone	8	116	Tree Swallow	202	166	House Sparrow	205
30	Redhead	2	75	Surfbird	4	117	Barn Swallow	1		Total Individuals	97749
31	Ring-necked Duck	72	76	Red Knot	306	118	Chestnut-backed Chickadee	159			
32	Greater Scaup	471	77	Sanderling	9	119	Oak Titmouse	18			
33	Lesser Scaup	71	78	Western Sandpiper	3782	120	Bushtit	515			
	scaup species	2851	79	Least Sandpiper	4209	121	Red-breasted Nuthatch	5			
34	Surf Scoter	571	80	Dunlin	5172						
35	White-winged Scoter	37		peep sp	8688	122	Brown Creeper	6			
			81	Short-billed Dowitcher	29	123	Rock Wren	1			
	scoter species	556				124	Bewick's Wren	19			
36	Bufflehead	850	82	Long-billed Dowitcher	352	125	Winter Wren	8			
37	Common Goldeneye	250				126	Marsh Wren	55			
			83	Wilson's Snipe	30	127	Golden-crowned Kinglet	16			
38	Barrow's Goldeneye	2									
39	Common Merganser	67	84	Bonaparte's Gull	1557	128	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	129			
40	Red-breasted Merganser	5	85	Mew Gull	71						
			86	Ring-billed Gull	1473	129	Western Bluebird	40			
41	Ruddy Duck	2540	87	California Gull	4089						
42	Osprey	3	88	Herring Gull	299	130	Hermit Thrush	50			
43	White-tailed Kite	45	89	Thayer's Gull	16	131	American Robin	721			

Godwit Days Spring Migration Bird Festival

Arcata - CA April 21-23, 2006

Extraordinary birding opportunities await you at the 11th annual Godwit Days spring migration bird festival. *California's* north coast offers towering redwoods, rocky ocean coasts, wild river valleys, and expansive mudflats of Humboldt Bay. Held at the

peak of spring migration, shorebirds abound and special opportunities are planned to see many other species, including Marbled Murrelet, Spotted Owl, and Snowy Plover.

Contact: Godwit Days Non-profit Organization, P.O. Box 894, Arcata, CA 95518 or phone 800-908-9464