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Well, Birders, without a doubt the Ducks knew we were looking for them. The initial reports I got were “where are all the ducks?” and “there are NO ducks here”. I saw large numbers of Hooded Mergansers. Some people had many Lesser Scaup.

Our combined list is not as long as I was hoping but here it is:

Hooded Merganser

Lesser Scaup - I had one Lesser Scaup at Freedom Pointe that MERLIN ID'd as Greater Scaup but I'm not convinced with my pictures.

Mallard

Mottled

Blue-winged Teal

Black-bellied Whistling Duck

Gadwall - at Alhambra Pond

Muscovey

Northern Shoveler

Ring-necked

1 BUFFLEHEAD- thank you, Jan Mercer!

We could not find: Ruddy Duck or Green-winged Teal that have been reported in The Villages.

Watch for Redhead to show up and sometimes a Wood Duck and/or Canvasback.

Fun to chase birds but sometimes we can't find every bird we want!
Thanks for searching today.

Every day is a GREAT day to go birding!

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