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[the-village-birders] Blue Spring River Cruise

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We had 54 club members on our wonderful two hour river cruise today. Combined with the short boardwalk birding we had 45 species. The best bird by far was the incredibly close, posing Roseate Spoonbill, followed by the several close adult Black-crowned Night Herons. Sadly the American Bitterns were not showing, and in fact the captain told me on yesterday's tours he had seen only one.

But the Purple Gallinules, an incredible number of Limpkins and other herons, as well as a low flying Bald Eagle, kept the group happy. This is a trip that we will put on the calendar next year----but leaving at a later time in the morning for sure.

Checklist to follow.

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WATERFOWL		STORK,FRIG,GANN		RAILS, CRANES		GULLS, TERNS	
Bl-bel Whistling-Duck		Wood Stork	X	Yellow Rail		Pomarine Jaeger	
Fulv. Whistling-Duck		Magnif. Frigatebird		Black Rail		Parasitic Jaeger	
Snow Goose		Brown Booby		Clapper Rail		Bonaparte's Gull	
Ross's Goose		Northern Gannet		King Rail		Laughing Gull	
Canada Goose				Virginia Rail		Ring-billed Gull	
Egyptian Goose		CORM, ANH, PELS		Sora		Herring Gull	
Muscovy Duck		D-crested Cormorant	X	Purple Swampphen		Lr. Black-backed Gull	
Wood Duck		Anhinga	X	Purple Gallinule	X	Gr. Black-backed Gull	
Gadwall		Amer. White Pelican		Common Gallinule	X	Least Tern	
Eurasian Wigeon		Brown Pelican		American Coot	X	Gull-billed Tern	
American Wigeon				Limpkin	X	Caspian Tern	
Mallard		WADERS		Sandhill Crane	X	Common Tern	
Mottled Duck		American Bittern		Whooping Crane		Forster's Tern	
Blue-winged Teal		Least Bittern				Royal Tern	
Northern Shoveler		Great Blue Heron	X	SHOREBIRDS		Sandwich Tern	
Northern Pintail		Great Egret	X	Black-necked Stilt		Black Skimmer	
Green-winged Teal		Snowy Egret	X	American Avocet			
Canvasback		Little Blue Heron	X	Amer. Oystercatcher		DOVES, CUCKOOS	
Redhead		Tricolored Heron	X	Black-bellied Plover		Rock Pigeon	
Ring-necked Duck		Reddish Egret		Am. Golden-Plover		Eur. Collared-Dove	
Lesser Scaup		Cattle Egret	X	Snowy Plover		White-winged Dove	
Common Eider		Green Heron		Wilson's Plover		Com. Ground-Dove	
White-winged Scoter		B-crown. Night-Heron	X	Semipalmated Plover		Mourning Dove	X
Black Scoter		Y-crown. Night-Heron		Piping Plover		Yellow-billed Cuckoo	
Long-tailed Duck		White Ibis	X	Killdeer			
Bufflehead		Glossy Ibis	X	Spotted Sandpiper		OWLS	
Common Goldeneye		White-faced Ibis		Solitary Sandpiper		Barn Owl	
Hooded Merganser		Roseate Spoonbill	X	Greater Yellowlegs		Eastern Screech-Owl	
Common Merganser				Willet		Great Horned Owl	
R-breast. Merganser		RAPTORS		Lesser Yellowlegs		Burrowing Owl	
Ruddy Duck		Black Vulture	X	Whimbrel		Barred Owl	
		Turkey Vulture	X	Marbled Godwit		Short-eared Owl	
QUAIL, TURKEY		Osprey	X	Ruddy Turnstone			
Northern Bobwhite		Swallow-tailed Kite		Red Knot		NIGHT, APOD, KING	
Wild Turkey		Snail Kite		Stilt Sandpiper		Common Nighthawk	
		Mississippi Kite		Sanderling		Chimney Swift	
LOONS, GREBES		Bald Eagle	X	Dunlin		R-throated Hummer	
Common Loon		Northern Harrier		Purple Sandpiper		B-chinned Hummer	
Pied-billed Grebe	X	Sharp-shinned Hawk		Least Sandpiper		Belted Kingfisher	X
Horned Grebe		Cooper's Hawk		Semipalm. Sandpiper			
		Red-shouldered Hawk	X	Western Sandpiper			
		Broad-winged Hawk		Shrt-billed Dowitcher			
		Short-tailed Hawk		Long-billed Dowitcher			
		Swainson's Hawk		Wilson's Snipe			
		Red-tailed Hawk		American Woodcock			

WOODPECKERS		CORVID, SWALLOW		WOOD WARBLERS		SPARROWS	
Red-headed Wood.		Blue Jay	X	Ovenbird		Eastern Towhee	
Red-bel. Woodpecker	X	Florida Scrub-Jay		Worm-eating Warbler		Bachman's Sparrow	
Yellow-bel. Sapsucker	X	American Crow	X	Louisiana Waterthrush		Amer. Tree Sparrow	
Downy Woodpecker		Fish Crow		Northern Waterthrush		Chipping Sparrow	
Hairy Woodpecker		Purple Martin		Blue-winged Warbler		Field Sparrow	
Red-cockaded Wood.		Tree Swallow		Blk-and-wht Warbler	X	Vesper Sparrow	
Northern Flicker		N. R-winged Swallow		Prothonotary Warbler		Savannah Sparrow	
Pileated Woodpecker	X	Cliff Swallow		Tennessee Warbler		Gr'hopper Sparrow	
		Barn Swallow		Or-crowned Warbler		Le Conte's Sparrow	
FALCONS PARROTS				Kentucky Warbler		Nelson's Sparrow	
Crested Caracara		PARIDS, HATCHES		Com. Yellowthroat		Seaside Sparrow	
American Kestrel		Carolina Chickadee		Hooded Warbler		Song Sparrow	
Merlin		Tufted Titmouse	X	American Redstart		Lincoln's Sparrow	
Peregrine Falcon		R-breasted Nuthatch		Cape May Warbler		Swamp Sparrow	
Nanday Parakeet		Brn-headed Nuthatch		Cerulean Warbler		Wh-throated Sparrow	
				Northern Parula	X	Wh-crowned Sparrow	
FLYCATCHERS		WREN GNAT KING		Magnolia Warbler			
Eastern Wood-Pewee		House Wren	X	Blackburnian Warbler		TANS, GROS, BUNTS	
Yel-bellied Flycatcher		Sedge Wren		Yellow Warbler		Summer Tanager	
Acadian Flycatcher		Marsh Wren		Chest-sided Warbler		Scarlet Tanager	
Least Flycatcher		Carolina Wren	X	Blackpoll Warbler		Northern Cardinal	X
Eastern Phoebe		Bl-gray Gnatcatcher	X	Blk-thr. Blue Warbler		R-breasted Grosbeak	
Vermilion Flycatcher		Ruby-crowned Kinglet		Palm Warbler	X	Blue Grosbeak	
Ash-throated Fly.				Pine Warbler	X	Indigo Bunting	
Great Crested Fly.		THRUSH, MIMICS		Yel-rumped Warbler	X	Painted Bunting	
Tropical Kingbird		Eastern Bluebird		Yel-throated Warbler			
Cassin's Kingbird		Veery		Prairie Warbler		ICTERIDS	
Western Kingbird		Gray-cheeked Thrush		Bl-thr. Green Warbler		Bobolink	
Eastern Kingbird		Swainson's Thrush		Yellow-breasted Chat		Red-winged Blackbird	
Gray Kingbird		Hermit Thrush				Eastern Meadowlark	
Scissor-tailed Fly.		Wood Thrush				Common Grackle	
		American Robin	X			Boat-tailed Grackle	X
SHRIKE, VIREOS		Gray Catbird	X			Bronzed Cowbird	
Loggerhead Shrike		Brown Thrasher				Brn-headed Cowbird	
White-eyed Vireo	X	Northern Mockingbird				Orchard Oriole	
Yellow-throated Vireo						Baltimore Oriole	
Blue-headed Vireo		STAR, PIP, WING					
Red-eyed Vireo		European Starling				FINCHES, WEAVER	
Blk-whiskered Vireo		Common Hill Myna				House Finch	
		American Pipit				American Goldfinch	
		Cedar Waxwing				House Sparrow	
						TOTAL SPECIES	
						45	