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[the-village-birders] Walk report Half Moon

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BIRD WALK REPORT  
HALF MOON WMA  
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Great weather and great birding once again in the beautiful habitat of Half Moon WMA. Thanks again to the staff there. 22 Birders enjoyed a spring trip though Half Moon today with 57 species for the day. Highlights were a first of the season Summer Tanager, Great Crested Flycatcher, Yellow-throated and Red-eyed Vireo, Swallow-tailed Kite and the biggie of the day the Bachman's Sparrow that enchanted us with his sweet song. We had a disappointing no show of the Florida Scrub Jay and when I talked with the ranger following the trip he said they only had 7 left on the property and only 2 at the feeding station where we stopped with peanuts. There are several species that have been added to the list as some birders reported them seen on the way home.

It was a pleasure birding with all of you!

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

<b>WOODPECKERS</b>		<b>CORVID, SWALLOW</b>		<b>WOOD WARBLERS</b>		<b>SPARROWS</b>	
Red-headed Wood.		Blue Jay	X	Ovenbird		Eastern Towhee	X
Red-bel. Woodpecker	X	Florida Scrub-Jay		Worm-eating Warbler		Bachman's Sparrow	X
Yellow-bel. Sapsucker		American Crow	X	Louisiana Waterthrush		Amer. Tree Sparrow	
Downy Woodpecker		Fish Crow	X	Northern Waterthrush		Chipping Sparrow	X
Hairy Woodpecker		Purple Martin		Blue-winged Warbler		Field Sparrow	
Red-cockaded Wood.		Tree Swallow		Blk-and-wht Warbler		Vesper Sparrow	
Northern Flicker		N. R-winged Swallow		Prothonotary Warbler		Savannah Sparrow	X
Pileated Woodpecker	X	Cliff Swallow		Tennessee Warbler		Gr'hopper Sparrow	
		Barn Swallow		Or-crowned Warbler		Le Conte's Sparrow	
<b>FALCONS PARROTS</b>				Kentucky Warbler		Nelson's Sparrow	
Crested Caracara		<b>PARIDS, HATCHES</b>		Com. Yellowthroat		Seaside Sparrow	
American Kestrel	X	Carolina Chickadee	X	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	
<b>FLYCATCHERS</b>		<b>WREN GNAT KING</b>		Magnolia Warbler			
Eastern Wood-Pewee		House Wren		Blackburnian Warbler		<b>TANS, GROS, BUNTS</b>	
Yel-bellied Flycatcher		Sedge Wren		Yellow Warbler		Summer Tanager	X
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	X	Palm Warbler	X	Blue Grosbeak	
Ash-throated Fly.				Pine Warbler	X	Indigo Bunting	
Great Crested Fly.	X	<b>THRUSH, MIMICS</b>		Yel-rumped Warbler	X	Painted Bunting	
Tropical Kingbird		Eastern Bluebird	X	Yel-throated Warbler	X		
Cassin's Kingbird		Veery		Prairie Warbler		<b>ICTERIDS</b>	
Western Kingbird		Gray-cheeked Thrush		Bl-thr. Green Warbler		Bobolink	
Eastern Kingbird		Swainson's Thrush		Yellow-breasted Chat		Red-winged Blackbird	X
Gray Kingbird		Hermit Thrush				Eastern Meadowlark	X
Scissor-tailed Fly.		Wood Thrush				Common Grackle	X
		American Robin				Boat-tailed Grackle	X
<b>SHRIKE, VIREOS</b>		Gray Catbird				Bronzed Cowbird	
Loggerhead Shrike	X	Brown Thrasher				Brn-headed Cowbird	
White-eyed Vireo	X	Northern Mockingbird	X			Orchard Oriole	
Yellow-throated Vireo	X					Baltimore Oriole	
Blue-headed Vireo		<b>STAR, PIP, WING</b>					
Red-eyed Vireo	X	European Starling	X			<b>FINCHES, WEAVER</b>	
Blk-whiskered Vireo		American Pipit				House Finch	
		Cedar Waxwing	X			American Goldfinch	X
						House Sparrow	
						<b>TOTAL SPECIES</b>	
						<b>57</b>	