

## **Barb Gay**

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Walk Report

Cedar Key 10-26-18

Leader: Barb Gay

We had an iffy weather day with a little bit of everything but we were treated to 60 species at Cedar Key and a nice lunch in the city. Of note is the bazar fall out of shorebirds on the airport runway. Identified were Short-billed Dowitcher, Semipalmated Plover and Least Sandpiper in a flock of about 200 birds. These birds just resting in the middle of the runway and looked totally spent. The weather around us was precarious to say the least. Did they get caught in the wind and storms that were in the area? We will never know! Following lunch we had 9 Magnificent Frigatebirds soaring over head, catching the wind. It was great viewing and a lifer for 4 of our club members, congratulations. Thanks to Linda for the great spotting. Also of note is the absence of Clapper Rails. The first ever trip to Cedar Key. The water was very high in the salt marsh areas where they had always been seen or heard. Did they get washed out in the serge of the Hurricane and move in land?

Hope you all enjoyed the day!

Species Checklist Attached

Next Up: Nov. 2, Sweetwater Wetlands

Stop, Look and Listen,

Barb Gay

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<b>WATERFOWL</b>		<b>CORM, ANH, PELS</b>		<b>RAILS, CRANES</b>		<b>GULLS, TERNS</b>	
Bl-bel Whistling-Duck	X	D-crested Cormorant	X	Yellow Rail		Pomarine Jaeger	
Fulv. Whistling-Duck		Anhinga		Black Rail		Parasitic Jaeger	
Snow Goose		Amer. White Pelican	X	Clapper Rail		Bonaparte's Gull	
Ross's Goose		Brown Pelican	X	King Rail		Laughing Gull	X
Canada Goose				Virginia Rail		Ring-billed Gull	X
Egyptian Goose		<b>WADERS</b>		Sora		Herring Gull	
Muscovy Duck		American Bittern		Purple Gallinule		Lr. Black-backed Gull	
Wood Duck		Least Bittern		Common Gallinule		Gr. Black-backed Gull	
Gadwall		Great Blue Heron	X	American Coot		Least Tern	
Eurasian Wigeon		Great Egret	X	Limpkin		Gull-billed Tern	
American Wigeon		Snowy Egret	X	Sandhill Crane	X	Caspian Tern	X
Mallard		Little Blue Heron	X	Whooping Crane		Common Tern	
Mottled Duck		Tricolored Heron	X			Forster's Tern	X
Blue-winged Teal		Reddish Egret		<b>SHOREBIRDS</b>		Royal Tern	X
Northern Shoveler		Cattle Egret		Black-necked Stilt		Sandwich Tern	
Northern Pintail		Green Heron		American Avocet	X	Black Skimmer	X
Green-winged Teal		B-crown. Night-Heron		Amer. Oystercatcher	X		
Canvasback		Y-crown. Night-Heron		Black-bellied Plover	X	<b>DOVES, CUCKOOS</b>	
Redhead		White Ibis	X	Am. Golden-Plover		Rock Pigeon	X
Ring-necked Duck		Glossy Ibis		Snowy Plover		Eur. Collared-Dove	X
Lesser Scaup		Roseate Spoonbill	X	Wilson's Plover		White-winged Dove	
White-winged Scoter				Semipalmated Plover	X	Com. Ground-Dove	
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	X	Solitary Sandpiper		<b>OWLS</b>	
Hooded Merganser		Swallow-tailed Kite		Greater Yellowlegs	X	Barn Owl	
Common Merganser		Snail Kite		Willet	X	Eastern Screech-Owl	
R-breast. Merganser		Mississippi Kite		Lesser Yellowlegs	X	Great Horned Owl	X
Ruddy Duck		Bald Eagle	X	Whimbrel		Burrowing Owl	
		Northern Harrier		Marbled Godwit	X	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	X	Common Nighthawk	
<b>LOONS, GREBES</b>		Short-tailed Hawk		Dunlin	X	Chimney Swift	
Common Loon		Swainson's Hawk		Purple Sandpiper		R-throated Hummer	
Pied-billed Grebe		Red-tailed Hawk		Least Sandpiper	X	B-chinned Hummer	
Horned Grebe				Semipalm. Sandpiper		Belted Kingfisher	X
				Western Sandpiper			
<b>STORK, FRIG, GANN</b>				Shrt-billed Dowitcher	X		
Wood Stork				Long-billed Dowitcher			
Magnif. Frigatebird	9			Wilson's Snipe			
Northern Gannet				American Woodcock			

