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[the-village-birders] Village Birders walk @ Emeralda Island Public Boat Ramp 10/27/2023

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## Birders:

Absolutely perfect weather again! 20 of us met at 8:0am. It was a little slow at first and then we had some surprises:

King Rail and Sora were calling: Snail Kite was in the marsh with many Purple Gallinules; Northern Harrier, and Osprey were soaring. Limpkins, Green Herons along with other Herons, Egrets were everywhere. Swamp and Savannah Sparrows along with Marsh, House, and Carolina Wrens were low in shrubbery with Common Yellowthroats.

Nice surprises were a couple of ducks, quite far away, spotted by Michele via scope: 1 Canvasback, 3 Gadwall mixed in with zillions of American Coots.

BUT, as far as I am concerned, THE best today was the American Bittern. They are SO hard to get. Susan spotted one flying over the marsh early and we kept hoping others would be able to see it. As luck would have it, a couple of us spotted a large brown bird flying very far off, landing in the grass as far away from us as possible. Not to be ignored, Tom our "scope-tender" located THE AMERICAN BITTERN - which made every one of us smile!

Our list of between 44-46 species will be on our website soon: <a href="https://www.villagebirders.org">www.villagebirders.org</a>
If Anyone would like to share pictures, please do.

THANK you, Birders, for coming out today. If you missed this trip hopefully you can make our next one.

Our Bird Walks are on our calendar but sometimes have to be changed for various reasons.

I will be away for a couple of weeks, see you all soon. Alice Horst ahorst@comcast.net

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

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WOODPECKERS		CORVID, SWALLOW		WOOD WARBLERS		SPARROWS	
Red-headed Wood.		Blue Jay		Ovenbird		Eastern Towhee	
Red-bel. Woodpecker	X	Florida Scrub-Jay		Worm-eating Warbler		Bachman's Sparrow	
Yellow-bel. Sapsucker		American Crow	X	LouisianaWaterthrush		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	X	Blk-and-wht Warbler		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	X	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	X
Nanday Parakeet		Brn-headed Nuthatch		Cerulean Warbler		Wh-throated Sparrow	
				Northern Parula		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	X	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	X	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		Indigo Bunting	
Great Crested Fly.		THRUSH, MIMICS		Yel-rumped Warbler		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	X
Gray Kingbird		Hermit Thrush				Eastern Meadowlark	
Scissor-tailed Fly.		Wood Thrush				Common Grackle	X
		American Robin				Boat-tailed Grackle	X
SHRIKE, VIREOS		Gray Catbird	X			Bronzed Cowbird	
Loggerhead Shrike		Brown Thrasher				Brn-headed Cowbird	
White-eyed Vireo		Northern Mockingbird				Orchard Oriole	
Yellow-throated Vireo						Baltimore Oriole	
Blue-headed Vireo		STAR, PIP, WWING					
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	44