From: Bob Cole bobcole138@gmail.com Subject: [the-village-birders] Meet and bird March 11

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It was 49 degrees and the early start kept a few people away but 6 birders showed up for the bird walk at The Sharon Rose Wichens Preserve. Despite the small number of birders and the cold weather, or because of it, we observed 55 species, and that is one of the best days I have ever had at the preserve. Our highlights were the close observation of 4 Black Neck Stilt, a whole family of Meadow Lark singing while setting on the fence, a 10 or 15 min. look at Marsh Wren preening and feeding just 6 to 8 feet away, and an unusually long observation of a Common Yellowthrought. Before we parted we all commented on what a great day it was.

That is birding. It is always good to be out but on days like today it is fantastic.

Horay Valerie is back with us.

Thank you Windy for the e-Bird list.

Bob Cole

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Traveling

0.72 miles

175 minutes

All birds reported? Yes

Comments:

Village birders' walk. Pond, trees and boardwalk

- 5 Black-bellied Whistling-Duck FO
- 15 Blue-winged Teal
- 1 Mallard
- 2 Mallard x Mottled Duck (hybrid)
- 2 Mallard/Mottled Duck
- 1 Wild Turkey
- 1 Pied-billed Grebe
- 3 Mourning Dove
- 5 Common Gallinule
- 50 American Coot
- 2 Purple Gallinule
- 1 Limpkin
- 5 Sandhill Crane
- 4 Black-necked Stilt
- 1 Killdeer
- 1 Lesser Yellowlegs
- 2 Greater Yellowlegs
- 20 Least Sandpiper
- 7 Forster's Tern
- 1 Wood Stork
- 3 Anhinga

- 1 Double-crested Cormorant
- 1 Little Blue Heron
- 1 Tricolored Heron
- 4 Snowy Egret
- 10 Western Cattle Egret
- 2 Great Egret
- 1 Great Blue Heron
- 3 White Ibis
- 7 Glossy Ibis FO
- 3 Turkey Vulture
- 6 Osprey
- 1 Northern Harrier
- 1 Bald Eagle
- 1 Red-shouldered Hawk
- 1 Red-tailed Hawk
- 1 Belted Kingfisher
- 4 American Kestrel
- 2 Eastern Phoebe
- 1 Blue Jay
- 6 American Crow NB
- 2 Fish Crow
- 9 Tree Swallow
- 1 Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
- 2 Marsh Wren
- 1 Brown Thrasher
- 2 Northern Mockingbird
- 4 Eastern Bluebird FR
- 2 Savannah Sparrow
- 6 Eastern Meadowlark FR
- 4 Red-winged Blackbird
- 4 Common Grackle
- 2 Boat-tailed Grackle
- 1 Common Yellowthroat
- 2 Palm Warbler
- 4 Yellow-rumped Warbler
- 1 Northern Cardinal

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