SAS Master Birder Class 2007-2008

Are you an advanced intermediate birder ready to ratchet-up your birding skills? If so, consider applying for the eighth Seattle Audubon Master Birder program which begins September 2007.

Taught by principal instructor Dr. Dennis Paulson and guest lecturers, the program will concentrate on ornithological concepts and the identification, behavior, habitat, and distribution of Washington birds. Classes will meet two evenings a week in the fall and spring. Field trips and homework assignments will augment the in-class learning.

The Master Birder program provides the background needed to become a leader or an active participant in the education, advocacy, preservation, and/or scientific programs of SAS and other organizations. The "fee" for this program is a minimum of 100 hours of volunteer service for Seattle Audubon Society in the three years after acceptance to the class.

Applicants should be familiar with birds throughout Washington State. You should be able to identify, without field guides, 150 species in at least one plumage, and be able to identify at least 30 species by ear. You should also be able to place most unidentified birds in the correct family, if you have a good view of them.

Applications will be available in April 2007 at the Seattle Audubon website: www.seattleaudubon.org. For more information, check the next issue of WOS News. You may also contact Lann Kittleson at freakfactor@comcast.net or 206-546-9231.

DEFORMED BIRD ALERT

Over the past several years, Alaskans have witnessed a startling increase of beak deformities among local birds. Large numbers of black-capped chickadees and smaller numbers of many other species of birds have appeared with grossly overgrown and crossed beaks. We began research in 1999, and have since identified nearly 1,500 deformed black-capped chickadees in south-central Alaska—the highest concentration of such abnormalities ever recorded in a wild bird population anywhere! More recently, rapidly increasing numbers of other species, including downy woodpeckers, northwestern crows, Steller’s jays, and black-billed magpies, have also been reported with beak deformities by biologists and local residents throughout the state.

Although we do not yet know the source of this widespread problem, we continue to investigate potential causes, including environmental contaminants, nutritional deficiencies, and disease. Nearly all of the species affected are year-round residents, and factors responsible for this cluster of deformities appear to be unique to Alaska and the Pacific Northwest. In addition to a multi-year study of chickadees in south-central Alaska, we are beginning the next phase of research. We need additional information about the distribution and prevalence of beak deformities among northwestern crows and other affected species. Reports from the public will help us to determine where and how many birds are affected.

Don’t forget!

Upper Skagit Bald Eagle Festival
In Rockport on Feb 3/4
20th Year!!
The Port Susan Snow Goose Festival
in Stanwood on Feb 24/25

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Monday, March 5th — David Williams
The Street Smart Naturalist — a naturalist’s overview of City of Seattle natural history

Botany and bugs, geology and geese, creeks and crows; living in Seattle doesn’t have to separate us from the natural world. Naturalist David B. Williams will give a presentation based on his book, The Street-Smart Naturalist. He will address Mother Goose and Canada geese in Seattle, the YUCKIES: Seattle’s Young Urban Crows, and the cultural and natural history of the building stones of downtown Seattle.

David B. Williams is a freelance natural history writer. He is the author of The Street-Smart Naturalist: Field Notes from Seattle and A Naturalist Guide to Canyon Country. He has written for Smithsonian, Popular Mechanics, and Geotimes.

Monday, April 2nd — Ginger Gumm and Daniel Poleschook, Jr.,
Loons in Washington State

We are currently researching the wintering area populations and mortality of the common loon in Puget Sound, Strait of Juan de Fuca, and the Pacific Coast. Approximately 50 common loons and chicks have been color-marked in Washington, and we are attempting to determine where Washington loons migrate to in the winter. We have had several band returns from the Puget Sound area for Washington and Montana loons and are finding that 75% of common loon mortality occurs during the winter months in the winter territory. We have spent a lot of time in the Port Angeles and Sequim area including the Hood Canal region looking for loons.

Ginger and Dan have been researching and photographing the common loon in Washington since 1996. They will present a program regarding the status and conservation recommendations for the common loon. Dan is a professional photographer and a geologist.

Monday, May 7th — Mike Donahue
Citizen Science and Volunteer opportunities

June 4th Photo Night

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FROM THE BOARD  by Randy Hill, President

I’m hoping that, by the time this reaches the membership, everyone that wanted to
got a chance to see some of the rarities found in December around the Sound. I
am at a disadvantage being on the east side of the Cascades and having to think
about things like snow on the pass (I got caught on the west side in October for
several hours), rain and fog on the “planned weekend” heading over, and the
simple concept of traffic in a more congested area than where I live, especially
when I don’t know exits and locations or how to get across five lanes from the
carpool lane when they do appear.

But problems on the road are not unique to areas of heavy traffic. Last summer in
Arizona I enjoyed several nights in the desert with my daughter driving paved
roads looking for snakes, choosing roads with less traffic because we wanted to
see live rather than dead snakes. Well, some of the very best areas to look do have
some traffic. And if you’re near the Mexican border at night you’re probably not
alone. In our excitement in seeing a saddled leaf-nosed snake crossing the road we
stopped well within the lane of traffic (there was no shoulder to pull off) and
didn’t even think about turning on the flashers in our pursuit of a photo. The first
Border Patrol agent that checked on us kindly reminded us that flashers ON
would be a good idea.

When the Coulee Corridor Birding Trail map was in the initial development stage,
discussion turned to which sites to include. Near Othello there are a couple of
great sites that were not listed as stops because adequate and safe parking were
criteria for listing. The County Line Ponds along SR 26 has small areas to pull off
to park, but with traffic moving at 60+ in both directions, it really is not safe for
pulling off or on, and crossing the highway on foot is quite risky. Try it in mid-
August when WSU is filling dorms and apartments! The Para Ponds along
McManamon Road don’t have quite the traffic or speed, but anyone stopping will
have a difficult time getting completely outside the lanes of traffic, and those
potato trucks pack some punch headed toward the hill into town. Great birding
spots, poor sites to bird.

There were numerous posts about the Highway 9 Whooper Swan viewing area
that mentioned WSP warnings about unsafe parking along the highway. As
birders, and all of us are guilty at one time or another, we do things we shouldn’t
do. Like pushing birds to get a “better” photo, crossing a fence into private
property, or playing songs of breeding birds during the nesting season to get a
better look. But there is common courtesy that applies across the spectrum that is
not limited to birders but certainly applies to our kind. Driving habits and things
that happen with your vehicle are some of the worst. Stopping to view a bird
while holding up traffic? Driving without lights on in snow, rain, fog, or any low-
light conditions? Turn signal? Guy in front not going fast enough even though he
is already five miles over the speed limit? What two-second rule? I know, it
doesn’t apply in areas where you never get to your destination if you don’t drive
aggressively, but on curvy roads without much traffic? Open a door to traffic or
crossing a road without looking for traffic? Parking on the road? Can you beat
the pedestrian to the crosswalk or blow the bicyclist off the shoulder of the road?

OK, here’s my stupidity in early January. I was driving on frozen roads on New
Year’s Day; the ice from past rain and snow melt was 2” thick on many of the
gravel roads outside of town. Even in town my lone spruce tree that blew down
with the big windstorm had lawn and soil too frozen to saw through. And I was
quite surprised to see load restriction signs all over the rural landscape. January 2,
less than 24 hours after seeing a couple of snowy owls in a snowy and frozen
landscape, the wind was blowing, it was 52 degrees, and there were water puddles
all over these same roads. Puddled on top of frozen ground, just enough to leave
ruts and mucky tracks on every gravel road that I drove. That’s a good time to
quit driving off the pavement. The snowy owls weren’t to be found either.
Vulture’s Roost
by Diann MacRae

(Written 15 January, awaiting six more inches of snow . . . ) If this issue of the newsletter reaches you late, I’m to blame. (If it’s on time, thank Michael, the layout editor!!)

A month of problems – weather and computer – the former which many of you also faced. Three major trees down here. All missed my house, but one still blocks one end of my driveway and I’m told is too frozen to saw. So, the storms plus power outages and resultant computer problems made newsletter production challenging, to say the least. It will be a slim issue, with my apologies.

Birds didn’t desert because of ice and snow, thank goodness. My yard is full of varied thrushes, second only to the juncos which are out in force. Crows still come streaming over in the late afternoon, a couple mallards come in for corn and cast baleful eyes at the frozen tub, and the pileateds can be heard laughing through the trees. I guess our winter isn’t so bad after all.

Bill deformities
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affected. If you see a bird with a deformed beak, please note the following information:

Species and number of deformed individuals
Date of observation
Location of observation
Description of deformity
Habitat where bird was observed
Behavior
Flock composition
PHOTOS are especially helpful!

Submit this information via our online form:

Or contact Caroline Van Hemert at the:
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WOS Field Trips

Saturday, February 3rd — Bob Kuntz will lead a trip to the Skagit and Samish Flats in Skagit County.
Target birds will be raptors (falcons, hawks, accipiters, eagles, and owls), snow geese, tundra and trumpeter swans, and winter sparrows. Bring scope, lunch, and water, and dress for the weather. Limit of (8) participants. For details contact Bob Kuntz (360) 424-9099 after 6:00 PM or email Robert_kuntz@nps.gov.

Saturday, February 10th — Owls by Day will be led by Mike and Merry Lynn Denny, with a limit of 14 participants. Target birds will include long-eared, barn, great horned, northern saw-whet, and western screech owls plus winter sparrows (Harris’s, American tree, and white-throated) as well as gray-crowned rosy finch, northern shrike, merlin, gray partridge, and canyon wren. Bring lunch and water for an all-day outing along the Snake River. Everyone must be able to walk several miles on foot. Sign up starts January 14th; for details contact Mike at (509) 529-0080 or email m.denny@charter.net.

Sunday, March 11th — Mary Carlson and Vivian Gross will lead a field trip at the Seattle Aquarium.
See shorebirds and alcids up close and personal, hear their history and how the Seattle Aquarium cares for these birds. Currently in residence are a number of species including black-bellied plover, Pacific golden plover, marbled godwit, long-billed curlew, willet, black oystercatcher, common murre, tufted puffin, rhinoceros auklet, and pigeon guillemot. You may also opt for a behind-the-scenes guided tour of the Seattle Aquarium. Limit of (25) participants. For details contact Vivian Gross at vlgross@aol.com or (425) 823-6582.

Saturday, March 24th — Ken Knittle will lead a field trip to Whitcomb Island, Crow Butte State Park, and Roosevelt in Benton County, and finish the day going westward in eastern Klickitat County.
Target birds will include early migrants, Ross’s and snow geese at Whitcomb Island NWR, and hope for rarities at Crow Butte State Park where last year we had Steller’s jay, a rare bird for Benton County. Heading west we will check the Roosevelt waterfront and do a quick side trip up Six Prong Road for possible ferruginous hawk and northern shrike. Limit to (5) cars.
For details contact Ken at (360) 574-2590 or email washingtonbirder@hotmail.com.

Saturday, April 7th — Michael Hobbs will lead a trip in Kittitas County heading east from Cle Elum to perhaps as far as Vantage and the Columbia River.
Target birds include Say’s phoebe, loggerhead shrike, canyon and rock wren, western and mountain bluebird, sage thrasher, and Brewer’s, vesper, and sage sparrows. Limit of (8) participants in (3) cars. For details contact Michael at (425) 869-2370 or email BirdMarymoor@Verizon.net.

Field Trips allow members to explore places or revisit familiar haunts. Each trip is open to a limited number of participants. Each member may join up to four trips per year (excluding annual conference trips). Non-members may attend as a member’s guest once per year. Questions about field trips should be directed to the trip leader(s). If you would like to lead a field trip, or would like to suggest a location for a field trip, send a note to Kraig Kemper and Ken Knittle at FieldTrips@wos.org.
Ross’s Goose Uncommon in WA. 2 at Sprague Lake Adams from 3/28 to 4/3 (GiS), 1 at Philo Lake Spokane on 5/18 (Ja,MWo), and 1 near River Bend Airport Pend Oreille on 5/21 (GiS).

Brant Late reports included 2 gray-bellies at Padilla Bay Skagit on 5/20 (SM), and 1 black at Midway Beach Pacific on 5/28 (MF).

Cackling Goose Reports from e WA included 8 at Dallesport Klickitat on 3/8 (fide SJ), 200 at Columbia NWR Grant on 3/11 (RFl), 2 possible “Richardson’s” at McNary NWR Walla Walla on 3/19 (SM), 300 at Sprague Lake Adams on 4/2 (RFl), 8 apparent “Aleutians” at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 4/8 (SM), and 1 at Othello 3/25 (SM) to 4/10 (MBl), and 1 near Skagit increasing in WA. 1 juvenile at Fir Island “Blue” Goose on 4/28 (GuM), 1 at Elma Grays Harbor on 4/30 (PS,RS), 7 at Oak Bay CP Jefferson on 5/2 (DMu), 1 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 5/11 (WC) with 2 there on 5/13, 1 near Stanwood Snobonish from 5/14 to 5/31 (SM), 1 at Kent King from 5/17 (GuM) to 5/21 (CWr), and 2 at a nest at Turnbull NWR Spokane on 5/26 (fide CrC).

Mute Swan Rare in WA. 1 at Steigerwald Lake NWR Clark from Feb to 5/31 (WC).

Swan sp. Either native species uncommon so late in WA. 1 flying 20 miles offshore on the Westport Pelagic Grays Harbor on 4/22 (BL), 2 near Glenwood Klickitat on 4/29, 2 at Bingen Klickitat on 5/13, 6 at Lyle Klickitat on 5/13 (fide SJ), and 2 at Wanapum Kittitas on 5/20 (SGe).

Green-winged Teal High count: 750 near Stanwood Snobonish on 4/26 (TBa).

“Common” Teal Uncommon in WA. 1 at Julia Butler Hansen NWR WallaWallakum from 3/14 to 3/17 (AS), and 1 at Edmonds Snobonish on 4/12 (DD,CRi).

Green-winged X “Common” Teal Reports included 1 at Ebey Slough Snobonish on 3/18, 1 near Stanwood Snobonish on 3/23 with 2 on 5/6 and 1 there on 5/11, 1 at Edison Skagit on 3/30 (SM), and 1 at Brady Loop Road Grays Harbor on 4/16 (PS,RS).

Northern Pintail High counts included 5000 near Corfu Grant on 3/15 (RH), and 2000 west of Peninsula HMU Walla Walla on 3/18 (MD,MLD).

Blue-winged Teal Early reports included 1 at Lake Lenore Grant on 4/23 (RH), 1 at Peone Skagit on 4/23 (fide CrC), and 1 at Montlake Fill King on 4/23 (MtB).

Cinnamon Teal Early reports included 2 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 3/12 (fide WC), 6 at Spencer Island Snobonish on 3/25 (GuM), and 3 south of Spokane Skopone on 3/30 (CrC).

Eurasian Wigeon An unusual numbers of early reports included 2 at Chewelah Stevens from 4/7 (TLi) to 4/11 (GiS), 1 at Black Diamond King on 4/28 (GuM), 1 at Elma Grays Harbor on 4/30 (PS,RS), 7 at Oak Bay CP Jefferson on 5/2 (DMu), 1 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 5/11 (WC) with 2 there on 5/13, 1 near Stanwood Snobonish from 5/14 to 5/31 (SM), 1 at Kent King from 5/17 (GuM) to 5/21 (CWr), and 2 at a nest at Turnbull NWR Spokane on 5/26 (fide CrC).
Whitcomb Island  Benton on 3/13 (KK), 1 at Philleo Lake  Spokane on 3/15 (CrC) with 3 on 3/26 and 2 there on 4/14, 1 sw of Cheney  Spokane from 3/17 to 4/16, 3 at Newman Lake  Spokane on 3/18 with 1 there on 4/6, 1 near Tyler  Spokane on 3/19 (fide CrC), 1 at Two Rivers HMU  Walla Walla on 3/24 (DGri), 2 at Calispell Lake  Pend Oreille on 3/26, 2 near Cusick  Pend Oreille on 4/2 (MiS,MWo), 1 at Ellensburg  Kittitas on 4/2 (MiS), 1 at Sprague Lake  Adams on 4/7 (fide ThA), 1 at Chiliwack  Skagit from 4/7 (TLi) to 4/11 (GiS), 1 at Ellensburg  Kittitas on 4/9, 1 at Silver Lake  Spokane on 4/9 (fide CrC), 1 at Toppenish  NWR Yakima on 4/23 (KT), and 1 at Othello  Adams on 5/14 (RFi). High count for w WA: 210 males at Samish Flats  Skagit on 3/2 (TAv).

American Wigeon  High counts: 5800 at Walla Walla RD  Walla Walla on 3/4 (MD,MiLD), and 4000 at Samish Flats  Skagit on 3/2 (TAv).

Eurasian X Am. Wigeon  1 photographed at Clarkston  Asotin on 3/26 (fide SM).

Redhead  Uncommon in w WA.  1 at Federal Way  King from 3/20 (GuM) to 4/1 (PS,Rs), 2 at Ridgefield NWR  Clark on 4/28 (PhI) with 9 on 5/3 (TAv,HO) and 6 there on 5/13 (DaH), 4 at Steigerwald Lake NWR  Clark on 4/30 with 6 there on 5/6 (WC), and 1 at Lynnwood  Snohomish on 5/13 (AMW).

Tufted Duck  Rare in WA.  1 male at Vance Creek CP  Grays Harbor on 3/11 (TO) with the same bird found nearby from 3/13 (MHR) to 3/16 (TAv), 1 male at Federal Way  King from 3/20 (GuM) to 4/1 (PS,Rs), and 1 male at Deer Lagoon  Island on 4/27 (FW).

Tufted Duck X Greater Scaup  Rarely reported.  1 near Beverly  Grant on 3/11 (SM) and 3/12 (Bl).

Lesser Scaup X Ring-necked Duck  Rarely reported.  1 male at Samish Flats  Skagit on 3/30 (SM,TAv).

Harlequin Duck  Inland reports included 1 male eleven miles upriver on the Dosewallips Jefferson on 3/23 (BS), 1 at Tieton River  Yakima on 5/5 (KK) with 4 there on 5/15 (BW), 1 at Swamp Creek  Kittitas on 5/7 (RsA), 2 at Sullivan Lake  Pend Oreille on 5/15 (GiS), and 1 male at Koochelus Lake  Kittitas on 5/17 (TAv,RSa).

Long-tailed Duck  Uncommon locally.  2 at Wanapum SP  Kittitas on 3/26 (JrDz), and 1 in the Red River at Lummi Flats Whatcom on 4/28 (DiM).

Common Goldeneye  Late reports included 3 at Lyons Ferry  Franklin on 5/6 (MD,MLD), 1 at Soap Lake  Grant on 5/7 (Mwo), 1 at Nisqually NWR  Thurston on 5/21 (PS,RS), 1 at Columbia NWR  Grant on 5/22 (RH), and 4 at Central Ferry  Garfield field on 5/28 (BT).

Red-breasted Merganser  Uncommon in e WA.  2 at Hanford Reach  Benton/Franklin on 4/8 (SDo), 8 at Banks Lake  Grant on 4/18 (MD), 4 at Dry Falls  Grant on 4/21 (MD,MLD), and 4 at Sprague Lake  Adams on 4/23 (fide CrC).

Sandhill Cranes flying toward a corn field west of Road C, SE of Othello. Grant, during the weekend of the Othello Sandhill Crane Festival. March 25, 2006.

California Quail  Locally uncommon.  2 at Anacortes  Skagit on 3/6 (JW), and 2 at Woodland  Cowlitz on 5/3 (TAv,Ho).

Mountain Quail  Uncommon and local in W.  3 at Port Orchard  Kitsap on 3/31, 2 at 1600' on Green Mountain  Kitsap on 4/6 (BWg), 2 north of Elma  Grays Harbor on 4/30 (TO), 2 at Belfair  Mason from at least 5/3 to 5/20 (MHR), and 2 at Grapeview  Mason on 5/21 (fide TAv).

Red-throated Loon  High counts: 300 at Clayton Bay  Skagit on 3/28 (fide ThA), and 500 at Fort Canby SP  Pacific on 5/12 (TGs).


Common Loon  High counts included 100 at Clayton Beach  Skagit on 3/28 (fide ThAn), and 26 at Blue Lake  Grant on 4/23 (RH).

Yellow-billed Loon  Uncommon in WA.  1 at Suquamish  Kitsap from 4/7 to 4/11 (BWg).

Horned Grebe  Late reports included 1 at Philleo Lake  Spokane on 5/24 (MWo), and 1 at Vantage  Kittitas on 5/25 (TAv,RSa).

Eared Grebe  Reports included 10 at Bainbridge Island  Kitsap on 3/11 (JM), and 1 at Utsalady Bay  Island on 3/25 (SM), 10 at Othello  Adams on 4/14 (RFi), 1 at Luhr Beach  Thurston on 4/30 (PS,RS), 13 at Philleo Lake  Spokane on 5/15 (fide CrC), and 3 at Roosevelt  Klickitat on 5/31 (fide SJ).

Clark’s Grebe  An increased number of reports away from breeding areas included 1 at Bainbridge Island  Kitsap from February to 4/19 (BWg), 1 at Tokeland Pacific from February to 3/20 (CPE,CWr), 1 at Yakima River  Benton on 4/14 (BW), 1 at Ocean Shores  Grays Harbor on 4/22 (MaB), 1 at West Medical Lake  Spokane from 4/26 to 5/25 (fide CrC), 2 at Vancouver Lake  Clark on 5/3 (TAv,HO) with 6 there from 5/13 to 5/26 (SM), 1 at Sprague Lake  Adams on 5/10 (GiS) and 5/27 (DSs), 1 near Othello  Adams on 5/13 (RH), 1 at Vantage  Kittitas on 5/25 (TAv,RSa) and 5/30 (KAn), 2 at Walla Walla RD  Walla Walla on 5/27 (RFi), and 1 at Rock Lake...
Whitman on 5/30 (GiS, MWo).  
Laysan Albatross Rare in WA. 2 found on the NOAA McArthur Pelagic trip Clallam to Grays Harbor from 3/14 to 4/1 (SMi).

“Dark Pterodroma” Any species rare in WA. 1 probable Murphy’s Petrel found on “Dark Pterodroma” (SMi). Clallam Laysan Albatross Whitman (TGu).

Uncommon in spring in WA. Leach’s Storm-Petrel (TGu). Fort Canby SP on 4/22 (BL) with 4 on the Westport Pelagic Rare in WA. 2 on the Grays Harbor MANX SHEARWATER Short-tailed Shearwater Sooty Shearwater identified. Buller’s Shearwater (SHr). 1 at Peone 1 at Yakima 1100 nests at Potholes Double-crested Cormorant Lopez Island from 5/27 to 5/29 (fide BS), and 2 off coast included 1 at Sandy Point 5/31 (BoB). More Sandhill Cranes from the Othello festival. www.granstrand.net

Buller’s Shearwater Rare in spring in WA. 1 reported off Kydaka Point Clallam on 3/19 (SMi) was not conclusively identified.

Sooty Shearwater High count: 21,700 at Fort Canby SP Pacific on 5/12 (TGu).

Short-tailed Shearwater Uncommon in spring in WA. 1 on the Westport Pelagic Grays Harbor on 4/22 (BL).

MANX SHEARWATER Rare in WA. 2 on the Westport Pelagic Grays Harbor on 4/22 (BL) with 4 on the 5/20 trip (BL, BT), and 3 off Fort Canby SP Pacific on 5/12 (TGu).

Leach’s Storm-Petrel Uncommon in spring in WA. 1 off La Push Clallam on 5/13 (SHr).

American White Pelican Uncommon in w WA. 2 at Steigerwald Lake NWR Clark on 5/18 (WC), 6 north of Lilliwaup Mason on 5/27 (BS), and 3 at Sequim Clallam on 5/31 (BoB).

Brown Pelican Reports away from outer coast included 1 at Sandy Point Whatcom on 4/15 (HFl), 1 at San Juan Island San Juan on 5/20 (BJe), 14 at Point No Point Kitsap on 5/24 (VN), 1 at Point Partridge Island on 5/25 (GT), 4 at Point Jefferson Kitsap on 5/25 (BWg), 4 at Vashon Island King on 5/27 (fide ESw), 2 at Totten Inlet Thurston from 5/27 to 5/29 (fide BS), and 2 off Lopez Island San Juan on 5/30 (BJe).

Double-crested Cormorant High count: 1100 nests at Potholes Grant on 5/13 (fide RH).

Brandt’s Cormorant High count: 1000 at Fort Canby SP Pacific on 5/11 (TAv).

American Bittern Uncommon in e WA. 1 at Yakima Yakima from 3/5 to 3/12 (AS), 1 at Peone Spokane on 4/8 (TLi) with 2/5/18 (GiS), 1 at Toppenish NWR Yakima on 4/23 (KT), 1 at Bateman Island Benton on 5/20 (fide BLAr), 3 at Turnbull NWR Spokane on 5/25 (fide CrC), 2 at Conboy Lake NWR Klickitat on 5/28 (KK, MaB), and 1 at Columbia NWR Adams/Grant on 5/31 (fide RH).

Great Egret Reports from w WA included 1 at Duvall King on 3/24 (DD), 1 at Woodland Cawsitz on 4/28 (PH), 6 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 4/29 (EKn) with 3 there on 5/13 (DaH), 1 at Kent King on 5/8 with 2 there on 5/10 (CSc) and 1 to 5/19 (PS, RS), and 1 at Lopez Island San Juan from 5/10 to 5/15 (BJe).

White-faced Ibises Uncommon in WA. 1 at Four Lakes Spokane from 5/7 (JAMWo) to 5/9 (CrC), 1 at West Richcheld Benton on carrying prey near Skamokawa Wabakamak on 3/17 (AS), 1 at Brady Loop Road Grays Harbor on 3/20 (CW), 2 flying over Bainbridge Island Kitsap on 5/1 (BWg), and 1 at Bottle Beach Grays Harbor on 5/16 (MaB).

Swainson’s Hawk Rare in w WA. 1 dark morph reported at South Prairie Pierre on 5/11 (CW), and 1 dark morph reported at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 5/12 (PS, RS). “Harlan’s” Hawk Reports included single light morphs at Brady Grays Harbor on 3/4 (PS, RS), near Dodson Road Grant on 3/4, and near Wilson Creek Grant on 4/16 (DSc). Late report: 1 dark adult at Discovery Park King on 3/25 (RBC).

Golden Eagle Reports from w WA included 1 adult Brady Loop Road Grays Harbor on 3/4 (PS, RS), 1 immature at Willapa Bay Pacific on 3/19 (AS), and 1 at Bellingham Whatcom on 5/6 (JMa).

CRESTED CARACARA Rare in WA. 1 north of Oakville Grays Harbor on 5/28 and 5/29 (fide DMo).

Merlin Reports included 1 female richardsonii at Yakima Yakima on 3/19 (DGr), and up to four pairs nesting at Bellingham Whatcom by 5/26 (fide JMa).

Peregrine Falcon Reports from e WA included 2 at Clarkston Austin on 3/11 (GiS), 1 at Walla Walla RD Walla Walla on 3/18 (MD, MLDo), 2 at Palouse Falls Franklin on 4/9 (GB), 1 at Othello Adams on 4/14 (RH), 1 at Two Rivers CP Benton on 4/16 (DR), 1 at Park Lake Grant on 4/16, 1 at Sun Lakes SP Grant on 4/16 and 5/26 (DSc), 2 at Spokane Spokane on 4/21, 1 at Eloka Lake Spokane on 4/30 (fide CrC), and 1 at Northrup Canyon Grant on 5/26 (DSc).

Gyrfalcon Uncommon in WA. 1 adult east of Mansfield Douglas on 3/5 (CW), 1 west of Davenport Lincoln on 3/7 (MHo), 1 at Corfu Grant on 3/11 (RFl), 1 at Point No Point Kitsap on 3/11 (VN), 1 juvenile banded at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 3/12 (DMo), and 1 immature at Coulee City Grant on 4/16 (DSc).

Sandhill Crane Reports from w WA included 1400 at Woodland Cawsitz on 3/26 (KSt), 150 at Wynoochee Valley Grays
Solitary Sandpiper Uncommon and local in WA. 35 at Midway Beach Pacific on 3/4 (PS,RS), with 16 on 3/20 (CWr) and 4 there on 5/27 (DoW).

Snowy Plover Uncommon and local in WA. 35 at Midway Beach Pacific on 3/4 (PS,RS), with 16 on 3/20 (CWr) and 4 there on 5/27 (DoW).

Semipalmated Plover Uncommon in e WA. 1 at Soap Lake Grant on 4/28 (GiS,MWo), 1 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla on 5/2 (MD,MLD) and 5/7 (KK), 1 at Sprague Lake Lincoln on 5/5 (TLi) with 2 there on 5/7 (JA), 1 at Swanson Lakes Lincoln on 5/6 (KK), 2 at Four Lakes Spokane on 5/7 (GiS,MWo), 1 at Peone Spokane from 5/13 to 5/16 (TLi), and 1 at Othello Adams on 5/14 (RFI).

Black-necked Stilt Locally uncommon. 1 sw of Cheney Spokane on 4/15 (CrC), and 1 near River Bend Airport Pend Oreille on 5/21 (GiS).

Greater Yellowlegs Low numbers. High count only 30 at Johns River Grays Harbor on 4/23 (PS,RS).

Lesser Yellowlegs Uncommon in spring in WA. 1 reported near Othello Adams on 4/6 and 5/14 (RFI), 1 at Peone Spokane on 4/15 with 2 there on 4/20 (fide CrC), 1 near Cheney Spokane on 4/16 with 5 there on 5/7 (MWo), 2 at Waterville Plateau Douglas on 4/18 (MdB), 3 reported at Johns River Grays Harbor on 4/23 (PS,RS) with 1 there on 4/27 (TAv), 1 at Kent King from 4/23 (MtB) to 5/6 (EH), 2 at Elma Grays Harbor on 4/30 (PS,RS), 1 at Sprague Lake Lincoln on 5/5 (TLi), 4 at Four Lakes Spokane on 5/7 (GiS,MWo), 1 at Leadbetter Point Pacific on 5/10 (TAv), and 1 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla on 5/27 (SM,RFI).

Solitary Sandpiper Reports included 1 at Kent King on 4/22 (ChA) with 6 there on 4/30 (MaB), 1 at Elma Grays Harbor on 4/23 (PS,RS), 1 at Montlake Fill King on 4/25 (ChA) and 5/5 (MtB), 1 at Point No Point Kitap on 4/25 (DoW) to 5/12 (BWg), 1 north of Pullman WPhitan on 4/25, 1 at Peone Spokane on 4/26 (fide CrG), 1 at Bainbridge Island Kitap on 4/26 (DoW), 1 at Longview Coahtig on 4/27 (Rko), 2 at Kingston Kitap on 4/29 (BWg), 2 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 4/29 (EKn), 1 at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 4/30 (PS,RS), 1 at Battle Ground Clark on 5/4 (JDz), 1 at Rocklyn Lincoln on 5/4, 1 at Silver Lake Spokane on 5/4, 1 at Sprague Lake Lincoln from 5/5 to 5/7, 1 near Cheney Spokane on 5/7 (JA), 1 at Richland Benton on 5/8 (BW), 1 at Columbia NWR Adams on 5/12 (RH), and 1 near Stanwood Snobomish on 5/18 (SM).

Semipalmated Plover Uncommon in e WA. 2 at Sprague Lake Lincoln on 5/7 (JA), 1 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla on 5/8 (Mab), 3 reported at Brady Loop Road Grays Harbor on 4/28 (fide BT), and 3 near Stanwood Snobomish on 5/11 with 1 there 5/14 to 5/28 (SM).

Western Sandpiper High count: 16,000 at Bowerman Basin Grays Harbor on 4/27 (Jb).

Baird’s Sandpiper Uncommon in spring in WA. 2 reported at Blaine Whatcom on 4/24 (Pho), 1 west of Mansfield Douglas on 4/28 (GiS,MWo), 1 at Columbia NWR Adams on 5/2 (RH), 1 at Sprague Lake Lincoln on 5/5 (TLi), 1 at Soap Lake Grant on 5/6 (GiS,CrC), and 2 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla on 5/7 (DR).

Red Knot Locally rare. 1 at Mud Bay Thurston on 4/25 (BS).

Semipalmated Sandpiper Uncommon in WA. 2 at Sprague Lake Lincoln on 5/7 (JA), 1 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla on 5/8 (Mab), 3 reported at Brady Loop Road Grays Harbor on 4/28 (fide BT), and 3 near Stanwood Snobomish on 5/11 with 1 there 5/14 to 5/28 (SM).

Rock Sandpiper Common in spring in WA. 1 at Soap Lake Grant on 5/7 (JA), 1 at Richland Benton on 5/8 (BW), 1 at Columbia NWR Adams on 5/12 (RH), and 1 near Stanwood Snobomish on 5/18 (SM).

Ruddy Turnstone High count: 35 at Tokeland Pacific on 5/6 (DP). Uncommon away from salt water in WA. 1 at Satsop Grays Harbor on 5/11 (TAv).

Marbled Godwit Reports included 600 at Tokeland Pacific on 3/20 (ChA) with 5 there on 5/11 (TAv), 1 at Foulweather Bluff Kitap on 4/8 (DoW), 2 at Dungeness Cailum on 4/15 (BoB), 2 at Bainbridge Island Kitap on 5/12 (BWg), 50 at Midway Beach Pacific on 5/13 (Mtd), and 100 at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 5/27 (DoW).

Dunlin Late report for e WA: 1 near Sprague Lake Lincoln on 5/30 (PS,RS), 1 at Battle Beach Grays Harbor on 5/3/4 (PS,RS), 5 at Westport Grays Harbor on 5/16 (AS) with 3 there on 4/30 (PS,RS), and 6 at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 5/18 (PH) with 2 there on 5/5 (PS,RS).

Wilson’s Phalarope Uncommon in w WA. 2 near Stanwood Snobomish on 5/4 (TAv) with 7 on 5/14 and 10 there on 5/28 (SM), 1 at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 5/12 (Mtd), and 100 at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 5/27 (DoW).
with 6 there on 5/18 (PS, RS), 1 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 5/13 (DAH), and 4 at Blanchard Skagit on 5/16 (JW).

**Red-necked Phalarope** Reports included 1 at Fort Canby SP Pacific on 5/11 (TAv), 5 at Sprague STP Lincoln on 5/13 (JA), 1 at Kent King on 5/21 (CW), 13 at Coulee City STP Grant on 5/13 (DSc), 1 at Dodson Road Adams on 5/27 (JH), 1 at Midway Beach Pacific on 5/27 (DoW), 4 at Turnbull NWR Spokane on 5/29 (fide CRc), 2 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla on 5/29 (BW), and 1 off Point Jefferson Kitsap on 5/30 (BWg).

**Red Phalarope** Uncommon in spring in WA. 1 on the Westport Pelagic Grays Harbor on 4/22 (BL).

**Pomarine Jaeger** Reports included 17 on the NOAA McArthur trip Clallam to Pacific from 3/14 to 4/1 (SMi), and 6 on the Westport Pelagic Grays Harbor on 4/22 (BL).

**Parasitic Jaeger** Early for WA. 2 on the NOAA McArthur trip Clallam to Pacific from 3/20 to 4/28 (fide SMi).

**Long-tailed Jaeger** Uncommon in spring in WA. 1 adult on the Westport Pelagic Grays Harbor on 5/20 (BL, BT).

**Franklin’s Gull** Uncommon in WA. 1 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla on 5/2 (MD, MLD), 2 at Sprague Lake Adams/Lincoln on 5/5 with 25 on 5/19 (TLi) and 1 there on 5/20 (TA), and 1 at Point Jefferson Kitsap on 5/30 (BWg).

**Little Gull** Rare in WA. 1 adult at Bainbridge Island Kitsap on 4/16 (BWg).

**Mew Gull** Uncommon in e WA. 1 at near McNary NWR Walla Walla on 3/18 (MD, MLD) and 3/19 (SM).

**Herring Gull** Late reports included 1 at Stanwood Snohomish on 5/18 (SM), and 1 at Big Flat HMU Franklin on 5/27 (SM).

**SLATY-BACKED GULL** Rare in WA. 1 adult at Tukwila King on 3/1 (CCx).

**LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL** Rare in WA. 1 second year bird at Moses Lake Grant on 3/12 (DSc) with 1 third year at Lake Lenore Grant from 3/26 to 4/23 (DSc, BT).

**Western Gull** Rare in e WA. 1 at Bateman Island Benton from February to 3/4 (NLt).

**Glaucous Gull** Uncommon in WA. 1 at Longview Cowlitz on 3/6 (RKO), 1 at Elma Grays Harbor from 3/24 to 4/2 (PS, RS), 2 in the Walla Walla RD area Walla Walla from 3/18 to 4/2 with 1 there on 4/8 (MD, MLD), 1 at Wawawai Whitman on 3/23 (Go, MWO), 2 at Two Rivers HMU Walla Walla on 3/24 (Gr), and 1 reported at Neah Bay Clallam on 5/13 (BoB).

**ICELAND GULL** Rare in WA. 1 first year bird reported at Wallula Walla Walla on 3/19 (SM), DSc to 3/21 (MD, MLD).

**Black-legged Kittiwake** Uncommon away from outer coast. 1 adult reported at Point No Point Kitsap on 4/13 (PS, RS).

**Sabine’s Gull** High count: 250 off La Push Clallam on 5/13 (SHr). Uncommon in Puget Sound. 3 off Jefferson Head.

**Eurasian Collared-Dove** Rare in WA. 1 on the NOAA McArthur Pelagic trip Clallam to Pacific from 3/14 to 4/1 (SMi) with 2 off Clallam on the 4/28 trip (TG), 11 on the Westport Pelagic Grays Harbor on 4/22 (BL), and 1 off La Push Clallam on 5/16 (fide BN).

**HORNED PUFFIN** Rare in WA. 1 on the NOAA McArthur Pelagic trip Clallam to Jefferson on 3/19 (SMi) with 1 reported off Pacific on the 5/1 trip (TG).


**Arctic Tern** Rarely nesting in WA. 4 at Dungeness Spit Clallam from 4/30 to at least mid-May (fide BN).

**Black Tern** Uncommon in w WA. 1 at Ebey Slough Snohomish on 5/14 (CRi), and 2 at Fir Island Skagit on 5/24 (fide SM).

**THICK-BILLED MURRE** Rare in WA. 1 off Westport Grays Harbor on the NOAA McArthur trip on 3/15 (SMi) with 1 also reported on the 5/1 trip (TG).

**Marbled Murrelet** High count: 91 at Point No Point Kitsap on 5/28 (VN).

**Long-billed Murrelet** 1 off Slip Point Clallam on the NOAA McArthur trip on 3/23 (SMi).

**Ancient Murrelet** Late reports included 1 on the Westport Pelagic Grays Harbor on 4/22 with 9 on the 5/20 trip which included two chick sightings (BL, RSh), and 15 off La Push Clallam on 5/13 (SHr).

**PARAKEET AUKLET** Rare in WA. 45 on the NOAA McArthur Pelagic trip Clallam to Pacific from 3/14 to 4/1 (SMi) with 2 off Clallam on the 4/28 trip (TG), and 1 at the Westport Pelagic Grays Harbor on 4/22 (BL), and 1 off La Push Clallam on 5/16 (fide BN).

**Tufted Puffin** High count: 100 off La Push Clallam on 5/13 (SHr).
Waterville Plateau Douglas from February to 4/11 with 2 on 5/6 and 1 there to 5/30 (MSp), 1 at Dungeness Clallam from February to 3/25 (BoB), 6 at Skagit WMA Skagit from 3/2 to 3/17 (MaB) with 4 there from 3/23 to 3/25 (TAv), 3 at Raredan Lincoln on 3/3 with 1 there on 3/8 (JA), 1 at Tokio Adams on 3/5 with 4 on 3/22 (RD) and 2 there on 4/2 (RFJ), 1 near Stanwood Snohomish on 3/11 (JB), 1 west of Mondovi Lincoln on 3/13 (RD), 1 at Fort Canby SP Pacific on 3/17 (MPa), 1 at Leadbetter Point Pacific on 3/19 (AS), 1 near Steptoe Butte Whitman from 3/21 to 4/17 (RD), 1 at Atkins Lake Douglas on 4/1 (GiS), 1 near Davenport Lincoln from 4/1 to 5/6 (GiS, JA), 1 west of Hatton Adams on 4/13 (RFJ), 1 at Potholes Grant on 4/21, 3 west of Bridgeport Douglas on 4/22 (MD), 1 at Hanford Benton on 5/11 (fide SM), and 1 at Samish Flats Skagit from 4/22 to 5/16 (fide ThA).

Barred Owl Locally rare. 1 at Two Rivers CP Benton from February to 3/16 (fide BLA).

Great Gray Owl Uncommon in WA. 2 at Havillah Okanogan on 3/4 (CW), 1 with there on 4/7 (TLJ).

Long-eared Owl High elevation report: 1 at Havillah Okanogan on 3/4 (CW) with 2 there on 4/7 (TLJ).

Common Poorwill Rare in WA. 1 at Montlake Fill King from 5/20 to 5/25 (LK, AdS).

Black Swift High count: 440 at St Andrews Douglas on 5/26 (SM).

Anna's Hummingbird Locally uncommon. 1 at Clarkson Asotin from February to 3/13 (CV), 2 at Camano Island Island on 3/2 (fide ThA), 1 at Harper Kittap on 4/20 (PS, RS), 2 at Skagit WMA Skagit on 4/30 (GA), 1 at South Prairie Pierce on 5/1 and 5/7 (CW), and 1 at Loomis Lake Pacific on 5/10 (TAv).

COSTA'S HUMMINGBIRD Rare in WA. 1 male at Lyle Klickitat from 5/2 to 5/5 (Kkas).

Lewis's Woodpecker Rare in w WA. 1 at Lowell Snohomish on 5/12 and 5/13 (fide SM), and 3 at Rockport Skagit on 5/13 (fide ThA).

Acorn Woodpecker Rare and local in WA. 1 near Lyle Klickitat from at least 3/20 to 4/11 (SJ).

Red-naped Sapsucker Uncommon in w WA. 1 at Kenmore King on 4/20 (LPh), and 2 at Naches Pass King on 5/26 (MtB).

Red-breasted Sapsucker Uncommon in e WA. 1 at Bates Road Kittatinit on 3/17, 1 below Nestor Peak Klickitat on 4/4 (fide SJ), and 2 at Big Meadow Lake Kittitas on 5/17 (TA, RS).

Williamson's Sapsucker Early migrants included 2 at 3350’ on Smith Butte Yakima on 3/14 (KG), and 1 female at Vernita Grant on 3/29 (AK).

White-headed Woodpecker Reports included 3 near Gifford Stevens on 3/4 (CW) with 2 there on 4/19 (MtD), 1 at Riverside SP Spokane on 3/9, 2 at Tum

Snowy Owl at Damon Point, Ocean Shores, Grays Harbor, March 5, 2006. Photo by Ruth Sullivan.

Willow Flycatcher Early for e WA. 1 reported at Cassimer Bar Okanogan on 4/19, 1 at McLane Creek Thurston on 5/4 (DC), and 1 at ALIES Benton on 5/6 (NLa).

Least Flycatcher Uncommon in WA. 2 at Cassimer Bar Okanogan on 5/21 (MiF), 1 west of Cusick Pend Oreille on 5/21 (GiS), 1 Spangle Spokane on 5/22 and 5/23 (MWo), 3 at Turnbull NWR Spokane on 5/31 (MF), and 1 at Bennington Lake Walla Walla on 5/31 (MD, MLD).

Dusky Flycatcher Rare in w WA. 1 reported near South Prairie Pierce on 5/7 (CW).

Gray Flycatcher Early report: 1 at Mansfield Douglas on 4/21 (MD, MLD).

Cordilleran Flycatcher Status uncertain in WA. 1 reported at Coppei Creek Walla Walla on 5/29 (BT).

BLACK PHOEBE Rare in WA. 1 returned to its 2005 site at Auburn King from 3/31 (MtB) to 5/23 (GuM).

EASTERN PHOEBE Rare in WA. 1 reported at Wenas Yakima on 5/27 (WC), and 1 at Lyons Ferry Franklin on 5/30 (CW).

Say's Phoebe Uncommon in w WA. 1 at Kent King on 3/4 (KAn) to 4/7 (GuM), 1 at Marymoor Park King on 3/23 with 2 there on 3/25 (fide MiH), 2 at Woodland Cowitz on 3/26 (KS), 1 near Seward Park King on 4/19 (SWe), and 1 reported at Tulalip Snohomish on 5/17 (MRe).

Ash-throated Flycatcher Early report: 1 at Bingen Klickitat on 5/12 (SJ).

Western Kingbird Early for WA. 1 at Potholes Grant on 3/18 (DP), and 2 at Mansfield Douglas on 3/25 (MtB).

Uncommon in w WA. 1 at Ebej Island Snohomish on 5/1 (GT), 2 at Point No Point Kittap on 5/5 with 7 on 5/15 and 2 there on 5/19 (BW, VN), 1 at Steigerwald Lake NWR Clark on 5/6 (WC), 1 at Coupeville Island on 5/7 (SE), 2 at Kent King on 5/12 with 1 there on 5/21 (fide CW), 4 at Vancouver Lowlands Clark on 5/13 (SM), 1 at Cockrham Island Skagit on 5/14 (GB), 1 at Kingston Kittap on 5/15 (BW), 2 at Monroe Snohomish on 5/17 (GT), 1 at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 5/18 (PS, RS), 1 at Auburn King from 5/20 to 5/23 (GuM), 1 at Fall City King on 5/20 (RMH), 1 at

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Norman Snubmosh on 5/20 (GuM), 3 at Marymoor Park King on 5/24 (MiH), 2 at Stillwater King on 5/27 (EH), and 1 at Enumclaw King on 5/31 (fide TAv).

**Eastern Kingbird** Uncommon in w WA. 1 at West Seattle King on 5/10 (Hh), 1 near South Prairie Pierre on 5/18 (CW), 1 at Ebey Slough Snubmosh on 5/18 (SM), 1 at Montlake Fill King on 5/29 (fide TAv), and 2 at Spencer Island Snubmosh on 5/29 (ENe).

**Loggerhead Shrike** Rare locally. 1 se of Spangle Spokane on 4/20 (MiH).

**Shrike sp.** Either WA species rare for date and location. 1 at Fort Lewis Steller’s Jay on 5/10 (fide BN), and 1 at San Juan Island 4/11 (SJ), and 1 at San Juan Island 5/11 (BJe).

**Hutton’s Vireo** Rare in e WA. 1 near Nestor Peak Klickitat on 4/4 with 2 at a nearby site feeding young on 5/12 (fide SJ).

**Warbling Vireo** Late arrival. First reports: 1 at Federal Way King on 5/3 (GuM), and 1 at Marymoor Park King on 5/3 (MiH).

**Red-eyed Vireo** Early reports included 1 at Sequim King on 5/18 (BoB), and 1 at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 5/21 (PS,RS).

**Steller’s Jay** Uncommon locally. 1 at Bingen Klickitat on 5/11 (Sj), and 1 at San Juan Island San Juan on 5/11 (BJe).

**Blue Jay** Uncommon in WA. 1 at Richland Benton from February to 4/2 (fide BLA), 3 at Spokane Spokane on February with 6 reported there from 3/15 to 4/10 (fide CrC), and 1 at Magnolia King on 3/4 (fide RL).

**Western Scrub-Jay** Range expansion continues. 1 at 1000’ elevation in Hobart King on 3/26 (fide HJ), 1 near Cle Elum Kittitas on 4/2 (Mb), 1 near Port Angeles Clallam on 5/10 (fide BN), and 1 at Tampico Yakima on 5/19 (fide DGr).

**Clark’s Nutcracker** Locally uncommon. 1 at I-90 in Cle Elum Kittitas on 3/13 (DP).

**Black-billed Magpie** Rare in w WA. 1 at Hoodsport Mason on 4/30 (fide BT).

**Purple Martin** Rare in e WA. 1 early male at Wanapum Kittitas on 3/26 (SDo), 4 at Windy Point Yakima on 4/18 (fide DGr), and 2 at Bingen Klickitat on 4/20 (fide BPe).

**Rock Wren** Rare in w WA. 1 at Shine Jefferson on 5/20 (DoW).

**House Wren** Locally uncommon in w WA. 16 counted in Clallam on 5/13 (fide BN), and 1 at Carnation King on 5/14 (EH).

**Winter Wren** Late migrants for e WA. 1 at Mansfield Douglas on 4/28 (GIb,Mo), 2 at Davenport Lincoln on 5/6 (fide JA), and 1 at Potholes SP Grant on 5/7 (Mo).

**Ruby-crowned Kinglet** Late reports for lowlands: 1 at Spangle Spokane on 5/22 (Mo), 1 at Kahlutus Franklin on 5/27 (RL).

**Western Bluebird** Locally uncommon in w WA. 4 north of Elma Grays Harbor on 3/5 (TO), 2 at Bunker Creek Lewis on 3/16 (TAv), and 4 at Elochoman River Waabkiakum on 3/17 (AS), 2 near Green Mountain Kitsap on 5/29 (BwG), 2 near Coupeville Island on 4/5 (SEI), and 9 near Pilchuck Snohomish on 4/2 with 4 using nestboxes on 4/7 (GA), 2 near Forks Clallam on 4/11 (BS), 2 at Stillwater King from 4/18 (EH) to 5/19 (GuM) with 2 nearby on 5/11 (MiH), 1 at Scatter Creek Thurston on 5/11 (JoM), 1 east of Enumclaw King on 5/14 (BPe), and 2 with young at McClarty Grays Harbor on 5/20 (DoW).

**Mountain Bluebird** Uncommon in w WA. 1 at Woodland Cowitz on 3/19 (fide BT), 3 at Marymoor Park King on 5/23 (MiH) with 2 there on 3/30 (MaB), 1 at Discovery Park King on 3/25 (RbC) and 3/26 (DoM), 2 at Lummi Flats Whatcom on 4/5 (fide SM), 1 at Hansville Kitsap from 4/19 to 4/22 (BwG), 1 at Fort Flager SP Jefferson on 4/22 (NB), 1 at Westport Grays Harbor on 4/30 (PS,RS), and 2 at Naches Pass King on 5/26 (MbR).

**Townsend’s Solitaire** Over 20 reports for the w WA lowlands included 1 at Samish Island Skagit on 3/20 (HA), a high count of 4 at Point No Point Kitsap on 4/8 (BwG), and a late bird at Juanita Bay King on 5/9 (fide TAv).

**Veery** Rare in w WA. 1 at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 5/29 (BS).

**Swainson’s Thrush** Late arrival. First reports: 2 at Discovery Park King on 5/1 (RL), 5 at Camano Island Island on 5/4 (fide ThA), and 1 at Skagit WMA Skagit on 5/5 (HA).

**Hermit Thrush** Late for lowlands. 1 at Wind Dust Park Franklin on 5/27 (RL), 1 at Washtucna Adams on 5/30 (CwRo), and 1 at Othello Adams on 5/31 (RL).

**American Robin** High count: 15,000 reported near Yakima Yakima from 3/5 to 3/20 (RRe).

**Gray Catbird** Early reports included 1 at Silver Hill Spokane on 5/19 (Mo), 1 at Cle Elum Kittitas on 5/20 (SeGe) with 8 there on 5/25 (TAv), and 1 at Davenport Lincoln on 5/21 (Ja).

**Northern Mockingbird** Uncommon in WA. 1 at Horn Rapids Benton on 5/3 with 2 there from 5/8 to 5/31 (fide BLA), 1 at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 5/3 (PS,RS), and 1 at Mukilteo Snubmosh on 5/7 (DeS).

**WHITE WAGTAIL** Rare in WA. 1 at Point No Point Kitsap on 5/15 (VN).

**American Pipit** High count: 5000
reported east of Moses Lake Grant on 4/23 (RH).

**Bohemian Waxwing** High count: 475 near Bridgeport Douglas on 3/4 (MiF). Late reports included 2 at Moxee Yakima on 3/30 (DGr), and 1 at Liberty Lake Spokane on 4/7 (GiS).

**Nashville Warbler** Uncommon in w WA. 1 at Seattle King on 4/30 (ENe), 1 at Rasar SP Skagit on 5/2 (BK), 1 at Kalama Cowitz on 5/7 (RkO), 1 at Bainbridge Island Kitsap on 5/7 (BWg), 3 near South Prairie Pierce on 5/7 (CWr), 3 at Hamilton Skagit on 5/7 (GB), 1 at Tacoma Pierce on 5/8 (PS,RS), 1 at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 5/12 (PS,RS), 1 at Butler Flats Skagit on 5/13 (BK), and 1 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 5/13 (SM).

**Yellow Warbler** Late arrival. First reports: 1 at Little Spokane River Spokane on 4/29 (fide CrG), and 1 at Discovery Park King on 5/1 (RL).

**“Myrtle” X “Audubon’s” Warbler** Rarely reported. 1 at Potholes Grant on 5/7 (GiS,MWo).

**Black-throated Gray Warbler** Uncommon in c WA. 1 at Bates Road Klickitat on 4/22, 2 at Trout Lake Klickitat from 4/23 to 5/30 (fide SJ), 1 near Moxee Yakima on 5/8 (fide DGr), and 1 at Lyons Ferry Franklin on 5/30 (CWr).

**Hermit X Townsend’s Warbler** Uncommon locally. 1 at Hyak Kittitas on 5/17 (TAv), 1 at Coupeville Island on 5/21 (SEl), and 1 at Washucuna Adams on 5/27 (SM).

**Palm Warbler** Rare in spring in WA. 1 at Coupeville Island on 5/8 (CrJ), and 1 at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 5/8 (JsE).

**American Redstart** Early report: 1 at Calispell Lake Pend Oreille on 5/15 (GiS), Uncommon locally. 1 reported at Wenatche Road Yakima on 5/21 (SDo), 1 reported at Wanapum SP Kittitas on 5/25 (PS,RS), and 1 at Trout Lake Klickitat on 5/29 with 4 nearby on 5/30 (fide SJ).

**Northern Waterthrush** Rare locally. 1 at Skagit WMA Skagit from 3/30 (BMc) to 4/28 (RCh), and 2 at Trout Lake Klickitat from 5/14 to 5/31 (fide SJ).

**Wilson’s Warbler** Late arrival. First reports: 1 near Olympia Thurston on 4/25 (BS), and 1 at Kent King on 4/26 (CWr).

observed thirty miles offshore on the Westport Pelagic Grays Harbor on 5/20 (Bl).

**Yellow-breasted Chat** Uncommon in w WA. 1 returned to Kent King from 5/13 (EH) to 5/31 (CWr).

**Western Tanager** Early report: 1 at Hoh River Jefferson on 4/23 (RkO). High count: 113 reported at Port Gamble Kitsap on 5/6 (PS,RS).

**Green-tailed Towhee** Rare and local in WA. 3 at Biscuit Ridge Walla Walla on 5/13 (fide MD) with 1 there on 5/29 (CWr).

**American Tree Sparrow** Uncommon in w WA. 1 at Butler Flats Skagit on 3/1. 113 reported at Port Gamble Kitsap from 4/23 to 5/31 (CWr).

**Lincoln Sparrow** Uncommon in WA. 1 at Davenport Lincoln on 4/30 (Ch), and 1 returned to Kent King on 5/28 (BMc), 1 at Grand Coulee Grant on 5/6 (GiS), 1 at Kalispell Grant on 5/10 (fide MD). Late lowland reports included 1 at Medical Lake Spokane on 3/16 (fide CrC), and 2 at Marymoore Park King on 5/24 (MiF).

**Flicker Sparrow** Late lowland reports included 1 at Leadbetter Point Pacific on 5/10 (TAv), and 1 at Othello Adams on 5/14 (RFl).

**White-throated Sparrow** Rarely reported. 1 at Seattle King on 5/28 (fide TAv), 1 at Washucuna Adams on 5/30 (BT,BL), and 1 at Horn Rapids Benton 5/30 (GuM).

**Golden-crowned Sparrow** Rare and local in WA. 1 at Bainbridge Island Kitsap from February to 3/4 (BWg), and 1 reported at Spencer Island Snohomish on 3/11 (fide BN).

**White-throated Sparrow** Uncommon in WA. 1 at Kennewick Benton from February to 3/16 (NLa), 1 at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 3/11 (fide SM), 2 at Chehalis Valley Grays Harbor on 4/2 and 4/16 (PS,RS), 1 at Bainbridge Island Kitsap on 4/5 and 4/6 (DoW), 1 at Joyce Clallam on 4/10 (fide BN), 1 at Mount Vernon Skagit on 4/18 (fide ThA), 1 at Stillwater King on 5/9 (CHa), 2 at Davenport Lincoln on 5/11 (JA), and 1 reported at Graysmarsh Clallam on 5/13 (fide BN).

**Harris’s Sparrow** Uncommon in WA. 1 at Confluence SP Cowl on 4/20 (BT), and 1 at Dixie Walla Walla on 5/13 (fide MD).

**Golden-crowned Sparrow** Reports from c WA included 1 at Columbia NWR Adams on 4/10 (DSc), 4 at Richland Benton on 4/19 (BW), 2 at Othello Adams on 4/30 (RFl) with 4 on 5/12, and 1 there on 5/15 (RH), 2 at Moses Lake Grant on 5/1 (DSc), 1 at Davenport Lincoln on 5/3 (GiS) with 3 on 5/11 and 1 there on 5/14 (JA), 1 at Grand Coulee Grant on 5/6 (GiS), 1 at Kalhotas Franklin on 5/7 (MiF), 1 at Spangle Spokane on 5/12 (MiF), 2 at Corfu Grant on 5/13 (RH), 1 at Wanapum SP Kittitas on 5/25 (PS,RS), and 1 at

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Lark Sparrow, near Lake McDonald east of Renton, King, May 28, 2006. Photo by Bernie Meyer.
Confluence SP Chelan on 5/26 (SM). Late high counts included 111 at Leadbetter Point Pacific on 5/10, and 88 at Fort Canby SP Pacific on 5/11 (TAv).

Golden X White-crowned Sparrow
Rarely reported. 1 at Monroe Snubomish on 3/11 (CCx).

“Slate-colored” Junco
Reports included 1 at Butler Flats Skagit on 3/1 (JW), 1 at Skagit WMA Skagit on 3/2 (TAv), 1 near Dodson Road Grant on 3/4 (DSc), 2 at Chief Timothy SP Asoin on 3/11 (GiS), 1 near White Salmon Klickitat on 3/17 (KGl), 1 at Brady Loop Road Grays Harbor on 3/24 (PS,RS), and 1 near Snowden Klickitat on 3/31 (SJ).

Lapland Longspur
High count for e WA: 20 flyovers reported at Heritage Road Douglas on 3/5 (CWr).

Snow Bunting
Uncommon in w WA. 1 at Ediz Hook Clallam on 3/14 and 4/26 (fide BN).

ROSE-BREADED GROSBEAK
Rare in WA. 1 male at Discovery Park King on 5/29 (NeB), and 1 male at Granite Pass Pend Oreille on 5/13 (PLo).

Lazuli Bunting
Uncommon in w WA. 2 at South Prairie Pierce on 5/11 with 4 there on 5/18 (CWr), 2 at Minkler Skagit on 5/11 (GB), 1 at Lacey Pierce on 5/12 (fide BT), 1 at Vancouver Lowlands Clark on 5/13 (SM), 1 at Kent King on 5/13 (EH) with 3 there on 5/20 (GuM), 1 at Samish Island Skagit on 5/13 (fide ThA), 1 at Graham Pierce on 5/14 (fide TAv), 1 at Steamboat Island Road Thurston on 5/14 (BS), 1 at Bainbridge Island Kitzap on 5/18 (BWg), 2 at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 5/21 (PS,RS), 1 at Woodinville King on 5/25 (fide SM), 1 at Marymoor Park King on 5/27 (EH) and 1 at Spencer Island Snubomish on 5/29 (ENe).

INDIGO BUNTING
Rare in WA. 1 male at Mukilteo Snubomish from February to 4/24 (fide SM), and 1 male at Port Townsend Jefferson from 5/19 to 5/25 (fide BN).

Bobolink
Locally uncommon. 2 at Toppenish NWR Yakima on 5/25 (BW) with 4 there on 5/30 (WC), and 1 male near Mansfield Douglas on 5/27 and 5/28 (MSp).

Tricolored Blackbird
Uncommon in WA. 3 near Othello Adams on 3/4 (RFI) with 74 on 4/19 (MtD) and 5 there on 5/14 (RFI), 1 at Tucker Prairie Spokane on 3/14 and 3/15 (TMAJA), 5 at Columbia NWR Adams from 3/24 to 3/30 (RH), 12 at Wilson Creek Grant on 4/9 (GB), and 4 near Texas Lake Whitman on 5/30 (GiS).

Western Meadowlark
Uncommon breeder in w WA. 3 at Mount St. Helens Cowitz on 5/13 (Rko), and 1 at Concrete Skagit on 5/13 (GB).

Yellow-headed Blackbird
Reports for w WA included 2 at Steigerwald Lake NWR Clark on 4/7 (WC), 1 at Montlake Fill King on 4/23 to 4/25 with 2 there on 5/30 and 1 at Port Angeles Clallam from 5/23 to 5/25 (BoB).

BALTIMORE ORIOLE
Rare in WA. 1 male reported at Wanapum SP Kittitas on 5/28 (PS,RS).

Bullock's Oriole
Late arrival. First reports: 1 at Kennewick Benton on 5/5 (BLA), and 8 at Point No Point Kitsap on 5/5 (BWg).

Pine Grosbeak
Uncommon in WA. 8 at Mount Spokane Spokane on 3/3 with 1 there on 3/18 (fide CrC).

Purple Finch
Rare locally. 1 at Richland Benton on 4/15 (BW).

Cassin's Finch
Uncommon locally. 1 at Othello Adams on 4/14 and 4/21 (RH).

Lesser Goldfinch
Rare away from Klickitat. 1 male at Bellingham Whatcom from February to at least 3/1 (MaB), and 1 male at Walla Walla Walla Walla from 4/29 to 5/1 (fide MD).

Evening Grosbeak
High count: 220 at Roslyn Kittitas on 5/17 (TAv). Uncommon on Columbia Plateau. 3 at Long Lake Lincoln on 4/18 (GiS), 5 at Richland Benton on 4/19 (fide BLA), 12 at Walla Walla Walla Walla on 5/1 (MD, MLD), 1 at Bridgeport Douglas on 5/3 (MSP), 8 at Washutauna Adams on 5/7 (DR) with 2 there on 5/9 (MiW), 4 at Othello Adams on 5/9 (RFI), and 8 reported at Columbia NWR Grant 5/26 (RH).


Corrigenda: Field Notes
#105 mistakenly reported a White-tailed Kite in nw Lincoln County Lincoln from 12/29 (GG) with 6 on 1/9 (DaH) and 11 there on 2/4 (CWr). The country should have been Lewis.

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WASHINGTON Field Notes March—May 2005

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Report Your Sightings (updated May 2006)

ACCPITERS: Winter site fidelity study. Cooper's hawks: Blue VID bands (Note right or left leg and engraved number and letter on VID band). Sharp-shinned hawks: either one or two color (only) bands on the same leg (Note right or left leg and top/bottom color if two bands). Other leg has standard aluminum band. Note date, time and location. Report to Jack Bettesworth, 2569 12th Ave W, Seattle, WA 98119, 206-285-5276, jgbett@comcast.net.

AMERICAN CROWS wanted: dead or alive. We still want your observations of color-banded crows. If possible, please record the color and location (top/bottom left leg, top/bottom right leg) of bands. Recently banded crows now have TWO colors AND a metal (Fish & Wildlife) band on one leg, and two colors on the other. In addition, as part of our West Nile virus monitoring efforts in the Puget Sound area, we would like to know about any dead crows you observe. If they appear freshly dead, your county health agency may also want to test them for the virus. Report to: John Wither, jwitter@u.washington.edu, phone: 206-543-2764.

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