Jaeger identification made….easy?

By Michael Donahue

Jaeger identification is complex. While identification of adults with their diagnostic central tail feathers is fairly straightforward, this field mark is not always evident. This is where practice with other field marks comes in handy. Here it is in a nutshell: jaeger identification is a process. It takes practice, patience, and persistence. If you're willing to do the former and have the latter two traits, then keep reading.

In this article I'm going to summarize key ID features and offer my perspective on the identification of jaegers, primarily the ID of adults. After a few comments and caveats on field marks, a summary in chart form is provided at the end of this article.

Distribution

All three jaegers are arctic tundra breeders, and are highly pelagic for the rest of the year. We see them off our coast during migration. They winter primarily in pelagic waters south of the equator.

Pomarine jaegers are found in our waters from March through October, with peak numbers in August and September. On boat trips offshore in late summer several dozen are typical, but if the timing is right you can hit a migration peak and see well over a hundred. They are rarely seen from shore or on inland waters.

Parasitic jaegers are fairly common in May, then again in August and September. Parasitics are more common closer to shore than the other two jaegers. It is regularly seen from shore and on inland waters, generally associated with the common tern migration. Point No Point is a good place to see parasitics, but note that all three species of jaegers have been seen there.

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WOS Meetings

Just one more regular meeting left! October 3rd will be our first fall meeting.

Members slide night June 6th — This is the night everyone can bring their favorite or unusual slides to share with others.

Note: Meetings are held the first Monday of each month (except July, August, and September) at the Center for Urban Horticulture on the University of Washington campus, 3501 N.E. 41st Street, Seattle, and are open to all. The social begins at 7:00 pm, and the program starts at 7:30 pm.

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WOS Field Trips

Saturday, June 11th – Yakima County, middle fork of the Antanum Creek

Leader – John Hebert

This trip will be centered 25 miles west of Yakima with an aim for nesting birds. Target species include woodpeckers (downy, hairy, Lewis’s, white-headed, and three-toed possible), sapsuckers (red-naped and Williamson’s), nuthatches (pygmy and white-breasted), thrushes (Swainson’s, hermit, varied, and veery), flycatchers and warblers. Limit of (10) participants. For details contact John at (509) 965-8235 or email at jhebert8235@charter.net.

Saturday, July 2nd – Whidbey Island, Island County

Leader – Steve Mlodinow

Emphasis will be on returning shorebirds. All participants should bring a spotting-scope, waterproof boots, and a lunch. Previous trips have found yellow-billed loon (two years) and Hudsonian godwit. Semipalmated sandpiper is possible. Limited to (5) participants. To sign up or for further information, contact Steve at (425) 514-5874 or email at bellasoc@isomedia.com.

Saturday, July 9th – Middle and Upper Skagit Valley

Leader – Kraig Kemper

The trip will start at Padilla Bay State Park and head east through Butler Flats to the Skagit/Whatcom County Line Ponds. Time and weather permitting, Rainy Pass and Washington Pass are possible destinations. Target birds include lazuli bunting, western and eastern kingbird, American redstart, red-eyed vireo, three-toed woodpecker and pine grosbeak. Limited to (8) participants. Contact Kraig at (206) 789-9255 or email at K_Kemper@msn.com.

Saturday, August 6th – Whidbey Island, Island County

Leader – Brian Bell

The focus for the day will be the fall migration of shorebirds, with stops at Crockett Lake, Swantown, and Penn Cove. Target birds include plovers, peeps, yellowlegs, and dowitchers. Time will also be spent looking for waterbirds and passerines. All participants should bring scope, waterproof boots and lunch. Limited to (8) participants. Contact Brian at (425) 485-8058 or at bellasoc@isomedia.com.

WOS 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.

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From the Board  
by Brian Bell

Spring has come in wetter than usual, but the weather finally turned more seasonal and the returning migrating birds have been flooding in. I hope that all have made plenty of opportunity to get out and enjoy those warblers and flycatchers.

WOS attended the Othello Sandhill Crane Festival at the end of March and had a table in the exhibit hall. During the course of the day we had a chance to talk to many, many folks about WOS and what we do. Lots of those people had never heard of WOS before, including many Audubon members. The exposure was good and many of our membership brochures were handed out. We anticipate that we will add some new members. The Board discussed this at our last meeting, and decided that WOS should make the effort to be present at more of these festivals to let people know what a good organization we are.

We will be updating our membership brochure and will be seeing that they are distributed to meetings and festivals, as well as Audubon chapters around the state. When the brochures are available, please feel free to contact us to get a supply that you can make available to people who might be interested. Or, make it a point to see that they are interested.

We will also be sending out a survey to former members to get their feedback on WOS and to welcome them back.

The Washington Bird Records committee has a new Secretary, Doug Schonewald of Othello, and has a new member to replace Bob Boeckelheide. Thanks for your service Bob. We would like to welcome Jessie Barry as the newest member of the WBRC. Jessie a graduate student at the University of Washington with excellent birding experience.

Look elsewhere in this issue for information about the upcoming election this summer. We also have information on our next conference in Bellingham in early September.

We have a good lineup of field trips for our members during the coming summer season, see elsewhere in the newsletter. Mike McKinstry, our program chair has done a great job on our programs for this year, remember Members Slide Night in June, and has some excellent ones for the coming year.

Vulture’s Roost  
by Diann MacRae

In 1909, one of the country’s most detailed books on a state’s species was published. Birds of Washington by William L. Dawson and John Hooper Bowles became a classic. It was forty-four years later before another book was published defining the birds of Washington State: Birds of Washington State by Stanley Jewett, Walter Taylor, William Shaw, and John Aldrich. This book was also long-standing as the “bible” for Washington’s avian species.

Now, fifty-two years later and almost a century since the first Washington book on birds, the Birds of Washington: Status and Distribution edited by Terry Wahl, Bill Twiet, and Steve Mlodinow, is published. The current book is primarily species accounts, written by close to fifty Washington ornithologists. A variety of other topics is included such as habitat and conservation, plus an extensive bibliography.

If you don’t have your copy yet, don’t miss this great addition to your Pacific Northwest birding bookshelf.

Membership News

Just a little reminder from your membership chair: if you have any changes to your address or email please pass them on to me via email or in writing. Send corrections to Membership@wos.org or to PO Box 31783 Seattle WA 98103-1783.

We are striving to improve our member support which will include publishing the directory on a regular basis. In 2002 we initiated a “Welcome to WOS” letter for new members that includes a complementary checklist and information about membership meetings. We appreciate your feedback. Send us your comments and especially any suggestions you might have to improve WOS.

Susan Fallat, Membership chair

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WOS BOARD ELECTIONS ARE APPROACHING
by Randy Hill

It seems like the new board is just getting settled in, trying to get details finalized for the 2005 Conference and even starting planning for 2006. But it is already time to think about another election. President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Board Positions 2, 3, and 4 will be on the ballot in the August/September issue of WOSNews. Officers are one-year terms with a three-term limit. Board members have two-year terms and are limited to two consecutive terms.

Every year a committee is appointed to generate a slate of candidates, and with few exceptions there is only a single candidate for each position. Governance is best established by electing candidates willing to participate and express their ideas for the good of the membership and organization. The current officers plus eligible board members Bob Flores and Bart Whelton all agreed to have their names placed in nomination. A mixture of experience and “new blood” is the key to keeping an organization running efficiently. But that new blood needs to appear from somewhere.

New blood can be by “referral” or “recruitment” (sometimes known as arm-twisting) from a retiring member. Cindy McCormack is a “referred” candidate that is not only new blood, but also has the energy of youth (she probably gets carded at the brew pubs). The other opportunity is by an individual stepping forward and volunteering to participate. It is really easy to do as we are currently taking nominations for all seven positions.

All you need to do is contact Brian (president@wos.org) or me (VP@wos.org) and express your interest. While all of the currently eligible incumbents agreed to accept nomination if asked, I am not aware of any that wouldn’t gladly step aside to allow new blood to help guide WOS through the next few years. I guarantee there will not be any mud-slinging. In fact I heard about an agenda item to double the pay for our newly-elected officials! So step out of the shadows and let us know if you’d like to get on the ballot.

Sketching for Accuracy in the Field
Leader: Julie Myers
Saturday August 6, 8 AM - 3 PM
Audience: Adults (age 15+)
Cost: $15

Learn to use basic principles of drawing with pen and ink, watercolor and pencil. Focus on scale and proportion in nature, how to utilize grid and perspective techniques for shorthand observations, and quick notations of birds, trees and plants, insects, and landscapes. Best suited for beginners learning field observations. Bring drawing supplies, lunch and drink.

Sky Hunters: Peregrines and Osprey
Leader: Sam Woods
Saturday June 25, 9 AM - 1 PM
Audience: Families/adults (age 8+)
Cost: $5

Peregrines and osprey hunt the shores and waters of the Pacific Northwest. A brief lecture will illuminate both current and historical populations in Washington State, habitats, breeding range, hunting habits, and nesting requirements. Participants will then stroll the shores of Rattlesnake Lake to observe recently fledged (or soon to fledge) peregrine falcons and fishing osprey. Bring binoculars/spotting scopes, bird field guide, and drink/snack. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes.

Common nighthawks used to be a regular sight in downtown Seattle. These nighthawk sculptures, on the south side of Pine Street between First and Second Avenue, are probably the only nighthawks remaining in Seattle.

Photo by Michael Donohue who has been admiring these sculptures for years.
wide strands as on the upper beach. These mixed shorebird flocks were concentrated over the patches of dead jellyfish, save for birds loafing and asleep just at the high wash line. The only species of shorebirds we observed feeding in these dense, dead jellyfish patches were western sandpipers, sanderlings, red knots, dunlin, and black-bellied plovers. Each species seemed to have its own feeding strategy, picking small morsels of soft tissue off the jellyfish most observed. The dunlin, red knots, and sanderlings were the most aggressive feeders, picking small bits off the larger jellyfish, while black-bellied plovers and western sandpipers were taking whole 5 mm jellyfish and ingesting them. The dowitchers and godwits were not observed utilizing the *Velella velella* as a food source or even picking at them.

Feeding on dead, rotting jellyfish by shorebirds and gulls was new to us.

**Literature Cited**


Photos by the author.
Long-tailed jaegers are the least common of the jaegers. It is a rare but regular offshore in May, and then uncommon in August and September. It is seen in smaller numbers (5-10 individuals) than the other jaegers, but numbers in the 20s have been recorded on some trips.

Seeing all three species on a single day offshore is not uncommon, and all three species have been recorded in eastern Washington (although not on the same day, at least to my knowledge!).

**Behavior**

Jaegers are kleptoparasites, chasing and harassing other birds in flight (generally gulls and terns) until they drop their food. Kleptoparasitism isn’t restricted to jaegers—prey stealing by raptors on the Samish Flats is a good example—but jaegers have taken it to an extreme.

Jaegers generally do not sit around and allow leisurely study. Because of their foraging strategy, stealth is important. This means that jaegers often appear and disappear in an instant. However, if there’s a lot of bird activity they may come by the boat to check out the action, which can allow for decent views.

### SUMMARY OF FIELD MARKS of ADULT JAEGERS

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<th>Pomarine</th>
<th>Parasitic</th>
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<td><strong>Body Size</strong></td>
<td>Large rounded head, thick neck; heavy-chested; wings broad at base</td>
<td>Not as big and bulky as pomarine; wings more slender</td>
<td>Longer, more narrow body; long, slender wings</td>
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<td><strong>Central Tail Feathers</strong></td>
<td>Rounded and twisted, 3-4&quot;</td>
<td>Pointed, 2-4&quot;</td>
<td>Pointed, 6-9&quot;</td>
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<td><strong>Head Pattern</strong> (light phase only)</td>
<td>Blackish cap; more extensively black than other jaegers, &quot;hooded&quot; look</td>
<td>Dark brown cap</td>
<td>Small black cap, sharply defined</td>
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<td><strong>Bill</strong></td>
<td>Heavy, with hook at tip; bicolored</td>
<td>More slender than pomarine; dark</td>
<td>Shortish; dark</td>
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<td><strong>Upperparts</strong></td>
<td>Blackish-brown</td>
<td>Dark brown</td>
<td>Grayish-brown; primaries blackish brown, making upper surface of wings two-toned</td>
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<td><strong>Underparts</strong> (light phase only)</td>
<td>Variable; usually with heavy, mottled dark (like upperparts) breast band, but breast band may be indistinct or lacking; barring on sides and flanks</td>
<td>Variable; breast band if present is grayish or brownish wash (paler than upperparts); no mottling or barring (exception: sub-adults)</td>
<td>No breast band; throat and breast creamy white, blending into grayish belly and under tail coverts; no mottling or barring (exception: sub-adults)</td>
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<td><strong>White in Wing</strong></td>
<td>Most amount of white; under wing shows large white flash and second, paler flash at base of primaries</td>
<td>Less white than pomarine; both under wing flashes not as large as pomarine</td>
<td>Little white; no under wing flash</td>
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<td><strong>Flight</strong></td>
<td>Powerful, slow and deep, like a large gull</td>
<td>Quicker wing beats, than pomarine, &quot;falcon-like&quot;</td>
<td>More buoyant, tern-like</td>
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<td><strong>Dark Phase</strong></td>
<td>Approximately 10% of the population</td>
<td>Fairly common</td>
<td>Unknown in adults</td>
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following table for these feathers is for the length of the central tail feathers beyond that of the other tail feathers, and is a median measurement. On some individuals they may be shorter or a bit longer.

**Age**

Identification of juveniles and sub-adults (which do not have the diagnostic central tail feathers) is difficult. It takes 3-4 years for jaegers to reach adult plumage and their plumage sequences are poorly understood. Adding to the complexity is that all jaegers are polymorphic, with light, dark, and intermediate phases at all ages. (Adult long-tailed jaegers have only a light phase, but juvenile and sub-adult long-taileds are polymorphic.)

Due to the similarity among the three species in sub-adult plumages, features such as flight style and shape, described below, are important field marks. When you see an adult with diagnostic tail feathers, observe their size, shape, and flight style. Learning these characters on adults will help when you see sub-adults (which we see many of in Washington) or even adults that are missing their central tail feathers. And you thought those immature gulls were hard!

**Body Size and Shape**

Relative body size and shape, as described in the following chart, can be useful field marks. However, it does take practice to learn the differences between each species.

**Flight**

Jaegers are most often seen in flight. Flight characteristics of each species can be useful, but as with body size, it takes practice to use as a field mark. Keep in mind that individual flight styles will vary with wind conditions and the bird’s activity, depending on whether it is hunting, migrating, or inspecting a flock of gulls or terns.

**Final Comments**

To give some perspective on jaeger identification, let me share an experience that happened on a boat trip several years ago. We had a very quick view of a jaeger that flew high over the boat. One birder on the stern, who is a much better birder than I am, thought it was a pomarine, while another outstanding birder on the bow thought it was a long-tailed. I was on the port side of the boat and my impression was that it was a parasitic. (It went on the day’s tally as “jaeger sp.”) Don’t get discouraged if you can’t identify every jaeger, neither can the experts!

For additional material on how to approach jaeger identification see the chapter in *A Field Guide to Advanced Birding* by Kenn Kaufman, and in *Birding in the American West* by Kevin Zimmer. *Skuas and Jaegers*, by Olsen and Larsson will tell you everything you wanted to know about jaegers, and are now afraid to ask.

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**Commencement Bay Yellow-billed Loon**

This handsome albinistic loon has been admired by birders for close to five years. First reports place it at the mouth of the Hylebos on Commencement Bay in the Fall of either 1999 or 2000. Dennis Paulson confirmed the species identification as Yellow-billed after much discussion among local birders.

Annual reports have surfaced since the Fall of 2000, most often in the Commencement Bay area. The loon has been seen as far north as Redondo and Dash Point State Park. Luckily, Dan and Debra Russell were there at the right time with their new digital camera.

If anyone has more specific information, we’d like to know! (Editor)
Greater White-fronted Goose Early reports included 2 at Hoquiam, 8 on 9/26 (BSc), 162 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 9/8 (PS,RS), with 1 there on 8/26 (JE), 245 at McNary NWR Walla Walla on 8/26 (HB), and 8 at Othello Adams on 9/1 (RF).

Greater White-fronted X Canada Goose Rare in WA. 1 reported at Sequim Clallam on 8/27 (RH).

Snow Goose Early report: 700 near Stanwood Snohomish on 9/28 (KW).

Ross's Goose Uncommon in WA. 1 near Stanwood Snohomish on 9/30 (SM).

Brant Uncommon before late fall. 1 at Dungeness Clallam from July to 8/21 (SM).

Cackling Goose Early report: 30 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 9/27 (fide JE).

Mute Swan Rare in WA. 1 at Toppenish NWR Yakima on 9/3 (JHe).


Green-winged Teal High count: 1050 near Stanwood Snohomish on 9/15 (TAv).

Cinnamon Teal High count: 240 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 8/19 (TAv).

Northern Shoveler Uncommon at high elevation. 7 at Rogers Lake Okanogan on 8/28 (SDo).

Eurasian Wigeon Early for WA. 1 reported at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 9/17 (PS,RS).

Redhead Uncommon in w WA. 7 at Ridgefield NWR Clark from July to 8/19 (TAv) with 1 there to 9/11 (WC), and 1 at Nisqually NWR Thurston from 9/17 to 9/24 (PS,RS).

Ring-necked Duck High count: 505 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 9/29 (JE).

Scapular Scaup Uncommon in WA before late fall. 1 at Lake Lenore Grant on 9/3 (SM).

COMMON EIDER Rare in WA. 1 S. m. v-nigroegnus adult male at Port Angeles Clallam from 8/3 (MSh) to at least 8/11 (BT) will be the first state record if accepted by the WBR.

Harlequin Duck High count: 75 at Port Angeles Clallam on 9/4 (BN).

Long-tailed Duck Early for WA. 1 at Hastic Lake Road Boat Landing Island on 8/14 (JoM).

Black Scoter Early reports included 5 at North Cove Pacific on 8/27 (RyM), and 1 at Luhr Beach Thurston on 8/27 (PS,RS).

Surf Scoter Uncommon in e WA. 1 at Banks Lake Grant on 9/24 (JA).

White-winged Scoter Uncommon in e WA. 5 at Soap Lake Grant on 9/16 (MHo).

Ruddy Duck High count: 805 at Everett STP.
White-tailed Kite Uncommon and local in WA. 1 at Willow Grove Cowitz on 9/4 (RKO).  
Northern Harrier Uncommon at high elevation. 7 at Horshoe Basin Okanogan on 9/26 (AS).  
Sharp-shinned Hawk Early report for the Columbia Basin. 1 at Potholes Grant on 9/4 (MWO).  
Northern Goshawk Uncommon in the Columbia Basin. 1 at Yakima RD Benton on 9/30 (NLa).  
RED-SHOULDERED HAWK Rare in WA. 1 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 8/23 (PH), 1 immature at Johns River Grays Harbor from 9/5 (PS,RS) to the end of the period (PH), and 1 immature at Conboy Lake NWR Klickitat on 9/9 (SJ,JK) and 9/29 (IE).  
Swainson’s Hawk High count: 21 migrating at Frog Hollow Walla Walla on 9/6 (GW). Rare in w WA. 1 reported at Sunrise, Mount Rainier NP Pierce on 8/19 (CWr).  
Ferruginous Hawk Rare cast of the Columbia River. 1 reported at Kittitas Kittitas on 9/19 (SM).  
Rough-legged Hawk Early for WA. 2 reported in the Columbia Hills Klickitat on 9/17 (fide SJ), and 1 at Horshoe Basin Okanogan on 9/26 (AS).  
Merlin Reports from e WA included 1 at Alkali Lake Grant on 9/16 (TAv), 1 at Lyle Klickitat on 9/16 (SJ), 1 at Lyons Ferry Franklin on 9/17 (DSc), 1 at Alderdale Klickitat on 9/18 (SJ), 1 at Bateman Island Benton on 9/20 (NLa), 1 at Horshoe Basin Okanogan on 9/26 (AS), and 1 at Nestor Peak Klickitat on 9/30 (SJ).  
Peregrine Falcon Uncommon in e WA. 1 at Walla Walla RD Walla Walla on 8/1 and 9/12, 1 at Yakima RD Benton on 8/5 (MD,MLD), 1 at Soap Lake Grant on 8/16 (DSc), 1 at Palouse Falls Franklin on 8/21 (RFl), 1 at Othello Adams on 9/1, 1 at Potholes Grant on 9/6 (RFl), 1 at Goat Rocks Wilderness Yakima on 9/6 (AS), and 1 at Lind Coulee Grant on 9/17 (DSc).  
Prairie Falcon Uncommon in w WA. 1 at Paradise, Mount Rainier NP Pierce on 8/1 (DR) and 8/10 (RFl), 1 at Nisqually WA Thurston on 8/31 (SN), and 1 at Mount St Helens Skamania on 9/26 (GW).  
Sandhill Crane Reports from w WA included 14 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 9/5 (WC), 5 flyovers at Ryderwood Cowitz on 9/13 (KK), 9 flyovers at Point Whitney Jefferson on 9/14 (RR), 40 at Brady Loop Road Grays Harbor on 9/18 (TO), and 3 at Crockett Lake Island from 9/21 (BMc) to the end of the period (fide SM). High count: 3000 west of Othello Adams on 9/20 (RFl).  
Black-bellied Plover Uncommon in e WA. 1 at Potholes Grant on 9/6 (RLSM) with 2 there on 9/17 (DSc), 10 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla on 9/18 (SM), 2 at Soap Lake Grant on 9/20 (DSc) and 9/24 (JA), 1 at Othello Adams on 9/21 (RFl) and on 9/24 (RFl), 1 at Sheep Lake Whitman on 9/25 and 9/26 (JA), 1 at Columbia NWR Grant on 9/28 (RFl), and 1 at Sprague Lake Lincoln on 9/28 (CWr).  
American Golden-Plover Rare in e WA. 1 at Yakima RD Benton on 9/7 (BW), 1 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla on 9/18 (SM) and 9/19 (BLa,NLa), and 1 at Sheep Lake Whitman on 9/25 and 9/26 (JA). Reports from w WA included 1 adult at Leadbetter Point Pacific on 8/30 (RyM,CWr), 1 juvenile at Dungeness Clallam on 9/5 (BoB), 1 juvenile at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 9/5 (MR) with 5 there on 9/10 (CWr) and 1 on 9/25 (PH).  
Pacific Golden-Plover Reports included 2 at Midway Beach Pacific on 8/5 (RyM) with 7 there on 9/25 (PS,RS), 2 at Bottle Beach Grays Harbor on 8/16 (GiS) with 1 there on 9/23 (CWr), 6 adults at Leadbetter Point Pacific on 8/30.  
Semipalmated Plover Uncommon in e WA. 9 at Walla Walla RD Walla Walla on 8/6 (MD,MLD) with 2 there on 9/7 (SM), 4 at Potholes Grant on 8/15 with 5 there on 9/2 (DSc) and 3 on 9/6 (SM), 4 at Lower Crab Creek Grant on 8/18 (RF), and 1 with 8 there on 8/21 (DSc), 3 at Othello Adams on 8/21 (RF) with 1 there on 9/17 (RH) and 4 on 9/18 (RF), and 1 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla on 9/4 (SM) and 9/7 (DSc).  
Black Oystercatcher High count: 18 at Washington Park Shag at 8/14 (DB).  
Black-necked Stilt Uncommon locally. 2 at Ellensburg Kietittas on 8/16 (CL). Late reports included 52 at Patterson Slough Benton on 9/22 (NLa).  
American Avocet Uncommon locally. 2 at Ellensburg Kietittas on 8/16 (CL). Late reports included 52 at Patterson Slough Benton on 9/15 with 9 there on 9/19 (NLa), 2 at Yakima RD Benton on 9/15 (WW) and 2 at Othello Adams on 9/18 (RF).  
Greater Yellowlegs High counts included 126 near Stanwood Snobomish on 8/15 (SM), 80 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 8/19 (TAv), 45 at Willapa Bay Pacific on 9/4 (GiS), and 43 at Potholes Grant on 9/6 (RFl).  
Lesser Yellowlegs High counts included 92 near Stanwood Snobomish on 8/19 (SM), 58 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 8/21, 35 at Johns River Grays Harbor on 9/4 (PS,RS), and 160 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla on 9/11 (SM).  
Solitary Sandpiper Reports included 1 at Yakima RD Benton on 8/3 (NLa) and 8/6 (RF), 2 at Potholes Grant on 8/6 with 1 there on 8/28 (DSc), 1 at 400’ elevation at Mount Adams Skamania on 8/8 (SMc), and 1 at Cockreham Island Skagit on 8/9 (GB), 3 at Wenas Lake Yakima on 8/9 (BLc), 1 at Silvana Snobomish on 8/12 (SM), and at Reardan Lincoln on 8/13 (BT), 1 at Winthrop Okanogan on 8/13 (RFl), 1 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 8/14 (KK) to 8/24 (PS,RS), 1 at Vashon Island King on 8/14 (ESe), 1 at Montlake Fill King on 8/15 (TAv), 3 at Othello Adams on 8/21 (RF), 1 at Kress Lake Cowitz on 8/21 (PS,RS), 1 at Bateman Island Benton on 8/28 (DR), and 2 at Sprague Lake Lincoln on 9/8 (TAv).  
Willet Uncommon and local in WA. 12 at Tokeland Pacific on 8/4 (SN), with 20 there on 9/29 (TAv), 1 reported at Warm Beach Snohomish in mid-August (MRE), and 1 at Blakely Rocks Bainbridge Island Kitap on 9/20 and 9/21 (BWg).  
Wandering Tattler Locally uncommon. 1 at Luhr Beach Thurston on 8/27 (PS,RS), and 1 at Leadbetter Point Pacific on 8/30 (CWr).  
Whimbrel Rare in w WA. 1 at Lind Coulee Grant from 9/2 (DSc) to at least 9/4 (MWO). Reports from w WA included 36 at Tokeland Pacific on 8/4 (SN) with 5 remaining there on 9/30 (fide PS), 1 at Dungeness Clallam from 8/23 to 8/26 (BN), and 2 at Luhr Beach Thurston on 8/30 and 8/31 (PS,RS).  
Long-billed Curlew Very late for w WA. 2 at Lind Coulee Grant on 9/2 (DSc). Uncommon

in w WA away from outer coast. 1 at Dungeness Clallam from 8/26 (BN) to at least 9/3 (SA), and 1 flying over Samish Flats Skagit on 8/29 (WW). High count: 58 at Tokeland Pacific from 9/4 to 9/30 (PS,RS).

Hudsonian Godwit Rare in WA. 1 juvenile at Tokeland Pacific on 8/29 (BN) and 9/5 (CCh), 1 juvenile near Stanwood Snobonish on 8/29 (SGi,SM), and 1 at Bottle Beach Grays Harbor on 8/30 (BSu).

Bar-tailed Godwit Rare but increasing in WA. 1 at Dungeness Clallam from 8/6 (PS,RS) to 8/8 (DG), 1 at Tokeland Pacific from 8/11 (TAv,BS), to 8/16 (GiS) with a juvenile there from 9/25 (CSe) to 9/30 (fide TAv), and 1 adult at Blaine Whidbey on 9/6 (BK,LFm).

Marbled Godwit Rare in e WA. 1 at Walla Walla RD Walla Walla on 8/1 (MD,MLD), and up to 4 at Yakima RD Benton from 8/23 to 9/9 (NLa). Reports from w WA included 273 at Tokeland Pacific on 8/4 (SN) with 800 there on 9/29 (TAv), 2 at Dungeness Clallam from 8/7 to 9/4 (BN), 230 at Westport Grays Harbor on 8/14 (SM), 8 at Nisqually Thurston on 9/6 (BS) with 5 there on 9/17 (JPa), 1 at Blaine Whidbey on 9/6 (BK,LFm), and 1 near Stanwood Snobonish on 9/15 with 5 there on 9/28 (KW).

Ruddy Turnstone Rare in e WA. 1 at Potholes Grant on 8/27 (DSC). Black Turnstone High count: 250 at Blakely Rocks, Bainbridge Island Kitsap on 9/23 (BWg).

Surfbird Reports away from outer coast included 4 at Oak Bay CP Jefferson on 8/21 (JM), 1 at Luhr Beach Thurston on 8/22 (JPa), 1 at Patos Island San Juan on 8/29 (DB), 2 at Discovery Park King on 9/4 (MrB), and 150 at Blakely Rocks Bainbridge Island Kitzap on 9/23 (BWg).

Red Knot Rare in e WA. 1 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla from 9/11 (SM) to 9/15 (WW). Reports for w WA included 1 at Dungeness Clallam on 8/8 (SA) with 2 there on 9/25 (MaBa), 5 at Bottle Beach Grays Harbor on 8/15 (JPa) with 3 there on 9/24 (RL,PKo), 1 near Stanwood Snobonish on 8/18 with 2 there on 9/15 (TAv), 11 at Leadbetter Point Pacific on 8/27 (AR,AM), 3 at Luhr Beach Thurston on 9/1, and 18 at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 9/11 (PS,RS).

Sanderling Uncommon in e WA in fall. 1 at Walla Walla RD Walla Walla on 8/6 (MD,MLD) with 7 there on 9/7 (SM), 1 at Lower Crab Creek Grant on 9/7 (RFl), 2 at Soap Lake Grant from 9/11 (DSc) to at least 9/24 (JAc), 5 at Iowa Beef Walla Walla on 9/11 with 2 there on 9/18 (SM), 2 at Patterson Slough Benton on 9/15 with 1 there on 9/29 (NLa), 1 at the I-90 Rest Area STP Grant on 9/16 (TAv), 5 at Potholes Grant on 9/18 (DSc), and 1 at Satus WMA Yakima on 9/21 and 9/22 (JHc).

Seminipalmated Sandpiper Reports included 8 at Lower Crab Creek Grant on 8/3 (HO), 1 at Potholes Grant on 8/6 and 8/23 (DSc), 1 at Walla Walla RD Walla Walla on 8/6 (MD,MLD), 1 at Milcay Beach Pacific on 8/7 (PS,RS), 1 at Bainbridge Island Kitzap on 8/8 (BWg), 2 at Lyle Klickitat on 8/8 (SJ), 1 at Wenas Lake Yakima on 8/9 (BLe), 1 at Foulweather Bluff Kitzap on 8/10 (BWg), 12 near Stanwood Snobonish on 8/12 with 5 there on 8/19 and 1 on 9/23 (SM), 2 at Reardan Lincoln on 8/13 (BT), 5 at Crockett Lake Island on 8/15 (SM), 1 at South Seattle King on 8/16 (DDe), 1 at Cockrham Island Skagit on 8/18 (GB), 3 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 8/21 (PS,RS) with 5 there on 8/27 (ST), 1 at Hatton Adams on 8/27 (BS), 1 at Fort Lewis Pierce on 8/30 (PS,RS), 1 at Lind Coulee Grant on 9/5 (SM), and 1 at Sheep Whitman on 9/6 (DfW,ToW).

Western Sandpiper High counts included 1000 at Yakima RD Benton on 8/4 (BLa,NLa), 1 at Potholes Grant on 8/7 (NLa). Sharp-tailed Sandpiper Uncommon in WA. 1 at Leadbetter Point Pacific on 8/27 (AR,AM), 1 at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 9/4 (GuM) and 9/18 (EH), 1 at Dungeness Clallam on 9/5 (BoB), 1 near Stanwood Snobonish on 9/16 (SM) with 4 there on 9/30 (TAv), and 1 at Johns River Grays Harbor on 9/24 (RL).

Dunlin Early report: 1 at Bottle Beach Grays Harbor on 8/7 (SM).

Snipe Sandpiper Uncommon in WA but well-reported this period. 3 including the only adult reported at Dungeness Clallam on 8/8 (SA) with 1 juvenile there on 8/31 (RR), 1 at Johns River Grays Harbor from 8/12 (SM) to 9/4 (PS,RS), 1 at Yakima RD Benton on 8/14 (NLa), 3 near Stanwood Snobonish on 8/15 (SM) with 8 there on 8/19 (KW) and 1 on 8/29 (SM), 1 at Port Townsend Jefferon on 8/16 (RSc), 1 at Lower Crab Creek Grant on 8/17 (RFl), 9 at Sheep Lake Whidbey on 8/17 with 2 there on 8/28 (JAc), 11 at Othello Adams on 8/21 (RFl) with 1 there on 9/6 (BT,CWv), 3 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 8/21 (SMc), 3 at Grandview STP Yakima on 8/24 (JHe), 16 at Philo Lake Spokane on 8/26 (JAc), 1 at Hatton Adams on 8/27 (BS), 2 at Crockett Lake Island on 8/28 (SM), 1 at Leadbetter Point Pacific on 8/30 (CWr), 1 at Lind Coulee Grant on 9/3 (DSc) and 9/14 (WW), 2 at Walla Walla RD Walla Walla on 9/5 (MD,MLD), 4 near Cheney Spokane on 9/18 (JA), 1 at Yakima Buckle Walla Walla on 9/11 (SM), and 1 reported at Everett Snobonish on 9/26 (MBg).

Buff-breasted Sandpiper Rare in WA but well-reported this fall. 6 reported at Crockett Lake Island on 8/28 (SM) with 1 there on 9/2 (BN), 2 at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 8/29 (PS,RS) with 10 there from 9/4 (MiF,SSc) to 9/11 (PS,RS), 1 at Leadbetter Point Pacific on 8/30 (RSc,SMc,EGm) with 8 there on 9/10 (CWr), and 1 reported at Fir Island Skagit on 9/19 (SA).

Ruff Rare in WA but well-reported this fall. 1 juvenile at Dungeness Clallam from 8/29 (RR) to 9/3 (SA), 1 juvenile at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 8/29 (PS,RS) and 9/10 (CWr) with 3 or 4 there 9/18 (PS,SSc) and 9/19 (KB) and 1 from 9/23 (CWr) to 9/29 (TAv), 1 juvenile at Johns River Grays Harbor from 9/4 (PS,RS) to 9/9 (BT), 1 juvenile at Willapa Bay Pacific on 9/5 (Gi), 2 adults in non-breeding plumage near Stanwood Snobonish on 9/5 (TAv,SGl), with a juvenile there on 9/12 and 9/13 (KW).

Short-billed Dowitcher Uncommon in WA. 2 at Othello Adams on 8/4 (HO), and 1 at Grandview Yakima on 8/30 (DGr).

Long-billed Dowitcher High count: 1150 near Stanwood Snobonish on 9/28 (KW).

Wilson’s Phalarope Uncommon in WA. 7 near Stanwood Snobonish on 8/12 (TAv) with 5 there on 8/19 (KW), 1 at Crockett Lake Island on 8/15 (SM), 1 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on...
Parasitic Jaeger Uncommon near shore. 1 at Midway Beach Pacific on 8/15 (CWr), 1 at Tokeland Pacific on 9/4 (PS,RS), 1 adult on the beach at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 9/5 (MR), and 1 adult at Edmonds Snobornish on 9/30 (DD).

Pomerine Jaeger Uncommon near shore. 1 at Midway Beach Pacific on 8/15 (CWr), 1 at Tokeland Pacific on 9/4 (PS,RS), 1 adult on the beach at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 9/5 (MR), and 1 adult at Edmonds Snobornish on 9/30 (DD).

Common Tern Rare in western WA. 1 near Sunrise at Mount Rainier NP from 8/1/19 (ED), and 7 north of Sunrise at Mount Rainier NP from 8/3/19 (DD).

Efimovia sp. Introduced populations continue.

Long-tailed Jaeger Rare near shore. 1 breeding plumaged adult reported at Stevens Skamania on 8/20 (MR), 1 breeding plumaged adult reported at Luhr Beach Thurston on 8/26 (PS,RS), and 1 adult at Point No Point Kitap on 9/10 (YN) and 9/11 (BWg).

Jaeger sp. Rarely reported over land. 1 reported at Cooper Mountain Clrnt on 8/31 and 9/9 (fide MSp), and 1 at Fir Island Skagit on 9/8 (GIt).

BLACK-TAILED GULL Rare in WA. 1 molting to adult plumage at North Cove Pacific from 8/3 to the end of the period (CWe) and/or if accepted by the WBRC.

Bonaparte’s Gull Uncommon in e WA. 1 at Columbia NWR Adams on 9/13 (GiS), and 1 at Othello Adams on 9/11 (RH), 1 at Bainbridge Island Kitap on 8/19 (BWg), 1 at Discovery Bay Jefferson on 8/21 (SM) and 8/22 (DWg), 1 at Mud Bay Thurston on 8/24 (PS,RS), 1 at Columbia NWR Grant on 8/26 (RH), 1 at Bothel Point Grant on 9/2 (DSc) to 9/18 (NL), 1 at Luhr Beach Thurston on 9/2 (BSa), 1 at Edmonds Snobornish on 9/7 (MSM), 1 at Two Rivers Stevens on 9/15 (MiH), and 1 at Everett STP Snobornish on 9/22 (EH) and 9/30 (SM).

Bonaparte’s Gull Uncommon in e WA. 1 at Columbia NWR Grant on 8/2 (RH) with 11 there on 8/6, and 14 at Portage Point Grant on 8/15 (DSc). High count: 2500 at Everett STP Snobornish on 9/22 (EH).

Mew Gull Rare in early fall in e WA. 1 at Colville STP Stevens on 9/15 (MiH).

California Gull High count: 7000 at Dungeness Bay Clallam on 8/21 (SM).

Herring Gull Early reports included 1 at North Cove Pacific on 8/6 (MPa), 1 at Portage Grant on 8/15 (DSc), 1 at Schwana Grant on 9/5 (RF), and 20 reported at Nehay Bay Clallam on 9/19 (NB).

Sabine’s Gull Uncommon away from open ocean. 1 at Priest Rapids Yakima on 9/4 (JHe), 2 adults at Point No Point Kitap on 9/11 (VNBWg), 1 juvenile at McNary Dam Benton from 9/11 to 9/18 (SM), and 1 juvenile at Soap Lake Grant on 9/11 (DSc) with an adult there from 9/14 (WW) to 9/16 (MHo), 1 at Vantage Kitititas on 9/14 (SDo), 1 at Bainbridge Island Kitap on 9/20 and 9/21 (BWg), 1 juvenile at Yakima RD Benton on 9/21 and 9/29 (BW), 1 adult and 1 juvenile at Columbia NWR Grant on 9/22 (RH), and 3 flying over Ocean Shores Marina Grays Harbor on 9/27 (BT).

Elegant Tern Rare and irregular in WA. 1 at Edmonds Snobornish on 9/23 (DD).

Common Tern Reports away from coast included 8 at Walla Walla RD Walla Walla on 8/22 with 42 there on 9/18 (MD,MLD), 2 at Marymoor Park King on 8/25 (MiH), 7 at Sheep Lake Whitman on 8/28 (JL), 10 at Lyons Ferry Franklin on 9/4 (SM), 13 at Vantage Kitititas on 9/14 (SDo), and 20 at Point No Point Kitap on 9/18 (JHe).

EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE Rare in WA. 1 Streptopelia thought to be this species at Diamond Point Clallam from 8/3 to 8/26 (fide BN).

Atratinga sp. Introduced population continues.

Barred Owl Locally uncommon. 3 north of Selah Yakima on 8/17 (JHe).

Burrowing Owl Locally uncommon. 3 near Sunrise at Mount Rainier NP from 8/10 (TAv,ArG).

LONG-BILLED MURRELET Rare in e WA. 4 at Nisqually NWR on 8/6 (MPa), 1 at Portage Point Grant on 8/21 (SM), and 1 at Marymoor Park King on 9/17 (fide MiH).

Common Poorwill Late report: 1 at Columbia NWR Adams/Grant on 9/15 (RH).

Black Swift Reports included 3 at Fort Canby SP Pacific on 8/4 (TGU), 10 at Cape Flattery Clallam on 8/19 (fide BN), 20 at Point No Point Kitap on 9/11 (BWg), 9 at Tacoma Pier on 9/14 (PS,RS), 2 near Stanwood Snobornish on 9/15 (TAv), 20 at Marymoor Park King on 9/15 (MiH), 3 at Luhr Beach Thurston on 9/17 (JPa), 1 west of Mabton Yakima on 9/17 (AS), 12 at Sequim Clallam on 9/18 (RR), and 3 at Steigerwald Lake NWR Clark on 9/27 (WC).

Vaux’s Swift High counts included 500 entering a chimney at Olympia Thurston on 9/16 (GW), and 3000 entering a chimney at Monroe Snobornish on 9/9 (fide MiH).

White-throated Swift High count: 1000 from Soap Lake to Lake Lenore Grant on 9/11 (DSc).

Black-chinned Hummingbird Late reports included 1 at Spokane Spokane on 9/22 (MiH), 1

at Spokane Valley. Spokane on 9/27 (fide SM), and 1 at Pullman Whiteman on 9/30 (DiW).

Rufous Hummingbird Late reports included 1 at Morse Creek Bluff Clallam on 9/23 (JMu), 1 east of Tenino Thurston on 9/23 (BSu), 1 at Mount Pleasant Skamania on 9/24 (WC), and 1 at Bonney Lake Pierce on 9/25 (CWr).

Lewis's Woodpecker Migrant reports included 2 at North Bonneville Skamania on 9/9 (KK), 2 at McNary Dam Benton on 9/11 (CeCJuaC), and 1 at Bingen Kittitas on 9/28 (Sj).

Acorn Woodpecker Rare and local in WA. 4 near Lyle Kittitas on 8/15 (BT) with 5 there on 9/18 (JB).

YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER Rare in WA. 1 at Moses Lake Grant on 9/12 (DSe).

Red-naped Sapsucker Late reports: 1 at Davenport Lincoln on 9/28 (CWr), and 1 at Bennington Lake Whatcom on 9/28 (MD,MLD).

White-headed Woodpecker Reports included 2 at Conboy Lake NWR Kittitas on 8/16 (BSu) with 1 there on 8/20 (MB).

American Three-toed Woodpecker Reports included 2 near Deep Creek Yakima on 8/10 (RM), 3 at Rogers Lake Okanogan on 8/28 (SDs), 2 at Hart's Pass Okanogan/Whatcom on 9/4 (MiF,LeM), 2 at Forest Road 39 Okanogan on 9/16 (MB), and 12 at Passeyten Wilderness Okanogan on 9/25 (AS).

Black-backed Woodpecker Uncommon in WA. 1 at Goat Rocks Wilderness Yakima on 9/5 (AS).

"Yellow-shafted" Flicker Reports included 1 at Vantage Franklin on 9/12 (SM,PS), 1 at Federal Way King on 9/19 (DqC), 1 at Kent King on 9/19, and 1 at Tokeland Pacific on 9/23 (CWr).

Olive-sided Flycatcher Columbia Basin reports included 1 at Potholes Grant on 8/23 (DSe), 1 at Kennewick Benton on 8/25 (TG), 3 at Washcutna Adams on 9/4 (DSc), 1 at Palouse Falls Franklin on 9/4 (RH), 1 at ALES Benton on 9/6 (BLaNla), and 1 at Wahluke Slope WMA Franklin on 9/7 (K.A).

Willow Flycatcher High count: 51 at South Prairie Pierce on 8/25 (CWr).

Least Flycatcher Uncommon in WA. 3 reported at Washcutna Adams on 9/6 with 1 there on 9/18 (SM), 1 at Lyons Ferry Franklin on 9/6 (BT,CWr), 1 at Wahluke Slope WMA Grant on 9/7 (KA), 1 reported at Adams Lake Grant on 9/12 (PS,RS), and 1 singing at Central Ferry Whiteman on 9/12 (DiW,Tow).

Hammond’s Flycatcher High count: 20 at Washcutna Adams on 9/6 (SM).

Dusky Flycatcher Late report: 1 at Davenport Lincoln on 9/28 (CWr).

Gray Flycatcher Rare in w WA. 1 reported near Montlake Fill King on 8/27 (Sma).

Pacific-slope Flycatcher Late reports included 1 at Bateman Island Benton on 9/20 (NLa), and 1 at Skagit WMA Skagit on 9/9 (TA,HO).

Say’s Phoebe Rarely reported at high elevation. 1 at 6000’ in Goat Rocks Wilderness Yakima on 9/6 (AS). Uncommon in w WA. 1 at Montlake Fill King on 8/30 (ST), and 1 at Marymoor Park King on 9/16 and 9/17 (MiH).

Ash-throated Flycatcher Rare in w WA. 1 at Lynden Whatcom on 9/29 (PDs).

Western Kingbird Late for WA. 1 near Bay Clallam on 9/19 (NB) and 1 at Frenchman Hills Grant on 9/25 (MiF).

Eastern Kingbird Late reports included 1 at Palouse Falls Franklin on 9/4 (RH), 2 at Douglas Creek Douglas on 9/8 (RM), and 1 at Columbia NWR Grant on 9/9 (RH). Uncommon in w WA. 3 at Spencer Island Snobomish on 8/1 (JG).

SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER Rare in WA. 1 at Moses Lake airport Grant from 9/10 (PS,RS).

Blue Jay Uncommon in W.A. 1 reported at Wenatchee Chelan throughout the period (LHa), 1 at Moses Lake Grant on 9/27 (WC), and 4 at Pullman Whiteman on 9/30 (DiW,ToW).

Western Scrub-Jay Range expansion continues. 2 at Hansville Kitsap on 8/30 (PmP), 1 at Hoquiam Grays Harbor on 9/23 (TAv), and 1 at Bainbridge Island Kitsap on 9/23 (BWg).

Clark’s Nutcracker Locally uncommon. 8 at Columbia Hills Kittitas on 9/4 (BT), 4 at Bingen Kittitas on 9/7, 4 southwest of Cleveland Kittitas on 9/8, 15 at Conboy Lake NWR Kittitas on 9/9, 1 near Centerville Kittitas on 9/20 (Sj), and 2 at Silver Star Mountain Skamania on 9/28 (KK).

Black-billed Magpie High elevation report: 1 at 6800’ in the Pasayten Wilderness Okanogan on 9/25 (AS).

Common Raven Locally uncommon. 1 at Discovery Park King on 9/24 (RT), and 2 at Renton King on 9/30 (AG).

Horned Lark Locally uncommon. 3 at Crockett Lake Island on 9/6 (Chc), 1 at Marymoor Park King from 9/15 (MiH) to 9/17 (jJM), and 1 north of Elma Grays Harbor on 9/25 (TO).

Purple Martin Uncommon in e WA. 4 including young at Bingen Kittitas on 8/12 with 2 there on 9/7 (Sj). High counts included 56 at Seattle King on 8/5 (KL), 49 at Steigerwald Lake NWR Clark on 8/29 (WC), and 35 at Julia Butler Hansen NWR Waukahisen on 9/14 (BT). Migrant reports included 1 at Tokeland Pacific on 8/5 (RYM) with 2 there on 8/11 (JPa), and 1 at Dungeness Clallam on 8/7/8 (RyM) with 3 there on 8/12 (BN).

Bank Swallow Uncommon in w WA. 1 near Stanwood Snobomish on 8/18, with 25 there on 9/15 (TAv) and 3 on 9/16 (SM), 2 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 8/19 (TAv) with 1 there on 8/27 (ST), 3 at Spencer Island Snobomish on 8/23 (Ssc), 1 at South Prairie Pierce on 8/25 (CWr), 2 at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 8/26 (PS,RS), and 1 at Graymarsh Clallam on 9/7 (SA).

Barn Swallow High count: 1300 north of Orthello Adams on 8/5 (RF).

Cliff Swallow Late reports included 2 at Juanita Bay King on 9/2 (RyM), 1 at Toppenish NWR Franklin on 9/3 (JHe), 1 at Columbia NWR Grant on 9/14 (RH), and 2 near Stanwood Snobomish on 9/15 (TAv).

Black-capped Chickadee Locally uncommon. 1 at Washcutna Adams on 9/25 (RF).

Mountain Chickadee Uncommon in lowlands. 1 at Walla Walla Walla Walla on 9/27 (Jag), 10 at Hatton Adams on 9/28, 1 at Sprague Lake Adams/Lincoln on 9/28 (CWr), 1 at Crab Creek Grant on 9/28 (RH), 6 at Davenport Lincoln on 9/28, 5 at Harrington Lincoln on 9/28.
Sage Thrasher Late reports included 2 at Beezley Hills Grant on 9/8 (RKO), and 2 at Old Vantage Highway Kittitas on 9/16 (TAv).

**American Pipit** Early lowland reports included 100 at Sand Ridge Road Klickitat on 8/15 (WC), and 2 at Leadbetter Point Pacific on 8/30 (CWr).

**Bohemian Waxwing** Early report: 5 at Bunchgrass Meadow Pend Oreille on 9/26 (GiS).

**TENNESSEE WARBLER** Rare in WA. 1 at Washntucna Adams on 9/5 (MD,MLD) and 9/6 (SM).

**Orange-crowned Warbler** High counts included 95 at Confluence SP Chelan on 9/3 (SM), and 62 at Skagit WMA Skagit on 9/5 (TAv).

**Nashville Warbler** Rare in w WA in fall. 1 reported at Graymarsh Cladium on 9/3 (SA), and 1 reported at Tacoma Pier on 9/14 (PS,RS).

**NORTHERN PARULA** Rare in WA. 1 adult male at Bottle Beach Grays Harbor on 8/11 (TAv,HO), and 8/21 (ScSc).

**Bewick’s Wren** High elevation report: 2 at 4500’ south of Bumping Lake Yakima on 8/13 (CWr).

**House Wren** Locally uncommon. 1 reported at Montlake Fill King on 8/7 (CSi). Late for w WA. 1 at Steigerwald Lake NWR Clark on 9/30 (WC).

**Ruby-crowned Kinglet** Early reports for the lowlands included 1 at Kirkland King on 9/1 (MiH), and 1 at Skagit WMA Skagit on 9/3 (RyM).

**NORTHERN WHEATEAR** Rare in WA. 1 immature at Nisqually NWR Thurston on 9/4 (JMPKko) will be the first state record if accepted by the WBRC.

**Western Bluebird** High count for w WA: 50 at Fort Lewis Pierce on 9/26 (DE).

**Townsend’s Solitaire** Migrant reports included 14 at Kennewick Benton on 9/14 (TG), 12 at Washntucna Adams on 9/18 (SM), and 1 at Mount St Helens Cowich on 9/25 (Rko).

**Swainson’s Thrush** Late reports included 1 at Washntucna Adams on 9/6 (SM), and 1 at Old Vantage Highway Kittitas on 9/16 (TAv), 6 at Tenino Thurston on 9/20 (PH), and 1 at Marymoor Park King on 9/22 (MiH).

**Hermit Thrush** Early reports for lowlands included 1 at Skagit WMA Skagit on 9/5 (TAv), and 10 at Vantage Kittitas on 9/7 (KA).

**Varied Thrush** Early for urbanized lowlands: 1 at Bothell Snohomish on 8/2 (DMA).

**Gray Catbird** Migrant reports included 4 at Rooks Park Ilalla Walla on 9/4 (MD,MLD), 1 near Swaiana Grant on 9/5 (SM,RF), and 1 at Vantage Kittitas on 9/12 (PS,RS).

**MAGNOLIA WARBLER** Rare in WA. 1 immature at Davenport Lincoln from 9/28 (JAW,CM) to 9/30 (Mb).

**BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER** 1 male at Davenport Lincoln on 9/26 (JAB,BW).

**Yellow-rumped Warbler** High count: 300 at Swaiana Grant on 9/5 (SM).

**Black-throated Gray Warbler** Uncommon in e WA. 1 at Bateman Island Benton on 9/1 (NLN), 1 at Confluence SP Chelan on 9/3 (SM), 1 at Hood Park Walla Walla on 9/6 (CWr), and 1 near Lyle Klickitat on 9/17 (GiS). High counts included 31 at South Prairie Pierce on 8/26 (CWr) and 30 at Julia Butler Hansen NWR Wabikiakum on 9/14 (BT).

**Hermit Warbler** Locally uncommon. 1 at Snoxden Klickitat on 8/7 (SA), 1 south of Bumping Lake Yakima on 8/12, and 1 at South Prairie Pierce on 8/26 (CWr).

**Hermit X Townsend’s Warbler** Locally uncommon. 3 south of Bumping Lake Yakima on 8/12 (CWr), 1 near Crystal Springs Kittitas on 8/16 (RyM), and 1 at Goat Rocks Wilderness Yakima on 9/5 (AS).

**Palm Warbler** Uncommon in WA. 1 at Tockaluck Pacific on 9/28 (GiT).

**BLACK AND WHITE WARBLER** Rare in WA. 1 at Washntucna Adams from 9/4 (DSR,RF) to 9/6 (CWr,SM).

**American Redstart** Uncommon as a migrant in WA. 1 at Washntucna Adams on 9/4 (RF) on 9/3 (SM), and 1 there on 9/6 (RF), and 1 at Wahluke Slope WMA Franklin on 9/7 (TAv).

**Northern Waterthrush** Uncommon as a migrant in WA. 2 at Moses Coulee Douglas on 8/17 (TeP), 1 at South Prairie Pier on 8/25 (CWr), 1 at Golden Gardens in Seattle King on 9/2 (DMV), and 1 at McNary Dam Benton on 9/8 (Cre,CJU), and 1 at Skagit WMA Skagit on 9/8 (GiT) and 9/30 (TAv).

**MacGillivray’s Warbler** Late migrant reports included 1 banded at St. Cloud Recreation Area Klickitat on 9/20 (SJ), 1 at Bunchgrass Meadow Pend Oreille on 9/26 (GiS), 1 at Davenport Lincoln on 9/28 (CWr), and 3 at Bennington Lake Walla Walla on 9/28 (MD,MLD).

**Common Yellowthroat** Reports from e WA included 1 at Walla Walla RD Walla Walla on 8/22 (MD,MLD), 1 at Wahluke Slope WMA Franklin on 9/7 (TAv), and 4 at Glennwood Klickitat on 9/26 (SJ). High count: 135 reported at Brandy Loop Road Grays Harbor on 9/23 (CWr).

**Wilson’s Warbler** High counts: 100 (SM), 70 (BT), and 80 (CWr) all at Washntucna Adams on 9/6.

**Yellow-breasted Chat** Late for WA. 1 at Vantage Kittitas on 9/16 (TAv).

**Western Tanager** High counts included 35 near Lyle Klickitat on 8/15 (BT), and 48 at Bonney Lake on 9/9 (CWr).

**Chipping Sparrow** Migrant reports included 1 at Montlake Fill King on 8/18 (SMa), 1 at Richland Benton on 8/28 (BW), 1 at Samish Flats Skagit on 9/3 (RyM), 1 at Swaiana Grant on 9/5 (RF), 4 at Hood Park Walla Walla on 9/6 (BLA), and 1 at Seattle King on 9/19 (Joes).

**Clay-colored Sparrow** Rare in WA in early fall. 1 at Sun Lakes SP Grant on 9/3, and 1 at Wind Dust Park Franklin on 9/4 (SM).

**Lark Sparrow** Rare in WA. 1 adult at the Hayton Swan Preserve Skagit on 9/3 (RyM). Late reports for e WA included 1 at Beezley Hills Grant on 9/8 (Rko), and 1 at Yakima Indian Reservation Yakima on 9/17 (KT).

**Sage Sparrow** Late reports included 4 at Wahluke Slope WMA Franklin on 9/5 (SM,RF), and 8 at Beezley Hills Grant on 9/8 (Rko).

**LARK BUNTING** Rare in WA. 4 reported at the I-82 rest area on Umtanum Ridge Kittitas on 9/12 (ME).
Savannah Sparrow High counts included 500 at Neah Bay Clallam on 9/19 (NB), and 400 at Brady Loop Road Grays Harbor on 9/23 (CWr).

Lincoln Sparrow Early lowland reports included 1 at Ridgefield NWR Clark on 8/23 (PH), 1 at Magnuson Park King on 8/28 (JB), and 2 at Steigerwald Lake NWR Clark on 8/29 (WC). High count for WA: 20 at Sprague Lake Lincoln on 9/8 (TAv).

White-throated Sparrow Early reports included 1 at Spokane Spokane on 9/20 (JA) and on 9/29 (MWo), 1 at Othello Adams from 9/21 to 9/23 (RFJ), 1 at Bennington Washington Wailla Wailla on 9/28 (MD,MLD), 1 at Sequim Clallam on 9/29 (BN), and 1 at Skagit WMA Skagit on 9/30 (TAv).

White-crowned Sparrow Early reports for e WA lowlands included 1 at Kennewick Benton on 8/21 (TG), and 1 at Bateman Island Benton on 8/28 (DR).

Golden-crowned Sparrow Early for WA. 1 at Sun Lakes SP Grant on 8/23 (DSe), and 2 at Deception Pass SP Island on 8/28 (MD,MLD).

“Slate-colored” Junco Early report: 1 at Slate Peak Whatcom on 9/26 (JB).

Lapland Longspur Reports included 6 at Midway Beach Pacific on 9/12 (BS), 1 at Marymoor Park King on 9/17 (JiM), 28 at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 9/23 (CWr), 5 at Neah Bay Clallam on 9/19 (NB), 1 at Kingston Kitsap on 9/19 (BWg), 1 at Brady Loop Road Grays Harbor on 9/23 (CWr), and 25 at Horseshoe Basin Okanogan on 9/26 (AS).

ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK Rare in WA. 1 female or immature male at Lyons Ferry Franklin on 9/6 (BT,CWr).

Bobolink Locally uncommon. 1 at Calispell Lake Pend Oreille on 8/6 (GiS).

Tricolored Blackbird Rare but increasing in WA. 1 at Othello Adams on 9/19 (SM).

Yellow-headed Blackbird Uncommon in WA. 3 near Stanwood Snohomish on 8/5 (SM) with 12 there on 8/19 (KW), and 1 at Ocean Shores Grays Harbor on 8/28 (BN).

Brown-headed Cowbird High count: 140 juveniles near Stanwood Snohomish on 8/12 (TAv). ORCHARD ORIOLE Rare in WA. 1 in female plumage seen and heard calling at Bottle Beach Grays Harbor on 9/20 (KA).

Bullock’s Oriole Late reports included 1 at Bonney Lake Pierce on 9/2, and 1 at Lyons Ferry Franklin on 9/6 (CWr).

Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch First lowland report: 1 at Kiona Benton on 9/30 (fide BLa). High count: 100 at Melakwa Lake King on 8/1 (RYM).

Pine Grosbeak Reports included 1 near Sunrise at Mount Rainier NP Pierce on 8/19 (ED), 1 at Tiffany Mountain Okanogan on 8/28 (SDo), 7 below Hart’s Pass Okanogan on 9/4 (MiF,LrM) with 3 there on 9/18, 5 at Roger Lake Okanogan on 9/17 (MtB), 7 at Pasayten Wilderness Okanogan on 9/25 (AS), 1 at Bunchgrass Meadow Pend Oreille on 9/26 (GiS), 1 near Joyce Clallam on 9/26 (BeO), and 2 at Mount Townsend Jefferson on 9/26 (fide BoB).

Purple Finch Uncommon in the Columbia Basin. 1 at Vantage Kittitas on 9/19 (SM), and 1 at Moses Lake Grant on 9/28 (CWr).

Cassin’s Finch Locally uncommon. 1 at Washutena Adams on 9/18 (SM), 1 near Lyle Klickitat on 9/22 (SJ), 1 at Harrington Lincoln on 9/28 (CWr), and 2 at Mount St Helens Skamania on 9/26 (GW).

Lesser Goldfinch North of core WA range. 2 west of Cowboy Lake NWR Klickitat on 8/16 (BSu).

Evening Grosbeak Uncommon on the Columbia Plateau. 1 at Vantage Kittitas on 9/7 (ED), 1 at Tiffany Mountain Okanogan on 8/28 (SDo), 7 below Hart’s Pass Okanogan on 9/4 (MiF,LrM) with 3 there on 9/18, 5 at Roger Lake Okanogan on 9/17 (MtB), 7 at Pasayten Wilderness Okanogan on 9/25 (AS), 1 at Bunchgrass Meadow Pend Oreille on 9/26 (GiS), 1 near Joyce Clallam on 9/26 (BeO), and 2 at Mount Townsend Jefferson on 9/26 (fide BoB).

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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 Withey, jwithey@u.washington.edu, phone: 206-543-2764.

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MERLINS: Detailed year-round observations are needed for scientific research on the merlin in Washington. Sightings should include exact location/map, date/time, description of bird(s) and behavior. Send to David Drummond, Coastal Forest Merlin Project, P.O. Box 4123, Bellingham, WA 98227, (360) 671-3804 or e-mail to: merlinology@hotmail.com.

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