

## Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report

- Date:** October 20, 2007
- Location:** Lake Conestee Nature Park, Greenville County, SC
- Comments:** Submitted by Paul Serridge, Trip Leader

5 GCBC members and two guests birded Lake Conestee Nature Park this morning from 8 a.m. till noon. The weather was almost perfect for birding. We had a total of 38 species (complete list below), bringing the October list up to 71. There were 6 Wood Ducks on the lake, including 2 males in beautiful full breeding plumage. In the Park we saw two fair sized flocks of Mallards flying over the marsh area. There were about 30 to 40 birds, far more than I have observed recently in the Park. The warbler fall migration appears to be almost ended, although we did see 3 species: an immature Blackburnian Warbler, a Pine Warbler (probably a resident) and numerous Yellow-rumped Warblers (which will probably colonize the Park through the winter). Sparrow numbers are increasing. We saw 4 species today (5 counting Towhee): Field, Song, Swamp and White-throated. The Swamp Sparrow was the first recorded in the Park since May. A Brown Creeper was a welcome returning bird. The last record for the Park was back in March. A good morning's birding!

**Bird List:** Species:

Wood Duck  
Mallard  
Great Blue Heron  
Red-shouldered Hawk  
Red-tailed Hawk  
Rock Pigeon  
Mourning Dove  
Belted Kingfisher  
Red-bellied Woodpecker  
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker  
Downy Woodpecker  
Northern Flicker  
Eastern Phoebe  
Blue Jay  
American Crow  
Carolina Chickadee

Tufted Titmouse  
Brown Creeper  
Carolina Wren  
Ruby-crowned Kinglet  
Eastern Bluebird  
Hermit Thrush  
American Robin  
Northern Mockingbird  
Brown Thrasher  
Yellow-rumped Warbler  
Blackburnian Warbler  
Pine Warbler  
Eastern Towhee  
Field Sparrow  
Song Sparrow  
Swamp Sparrow  
White-throated Sparrow  
Northern Cardinal  
Red-winged Blackbird  
Common Grackle  
House Finch  
American Goldfinch