

Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report

Date: Saturday, July 18, 2015

Location: Lake Conestee Nature Park, Greenville, SC

Leaders: Denise DuPon and Paul Serridge

Two separate trips were held, a longer walk starting at 7 a.m. at Conestee Park, and a shorter one starting at 8 a.m at Spanco Drive.

The longer trip: 6 club members and 3 guests birded the East Bay loop before car-pooling to Spanco. From there the group followed paved and natural surface trails all around the West Bay and then back to Conestee Park.

The shorter trip: 6 club members and 3 guests birded the paved trail and the connector board-walk to the West Bay observation deck before turning around to return to Spanco.

During the outings park director and GCBC member, Dave Hargett, reported an Osprey over the South Bay, but both GCBC outings missed it. Such is birding! It is included in the complete list (*marked with an asterisk*).

The combined lists (see below) show a **total of 46 species**.

Species	Short walk	Long walk
Canada Goose	25	29
Wood Duck	4	3
Great Blue Heron	2	5
Green Heron	1	1
Osprey		1*
Red-shouldered Hawk		1
Red-tailed Hawk		1
Mourning Dove	2	6
Yellow-billed Cuckoo		1
Chimney Swift	5	10
Ruby-throated Hummingbird		2
Belted Kingfisher	1	
Red-bellied Woodpecker	1	1
Downy Woodpecker	2	3
Pileated Woodpecker		1
Eastern Phoebe	1	2
Great-crested Flycatcher	1	2
Eastern Kingbird	2	2
White-eyed Vireo		2
Red-eyed Vireo		1

Blue Jay	1	
American Crow		1
Fish Crow		2
Barn Swallow	21	26
Carolina Chickadee	2	3
Tufted Titmouse	3	3
White-breasted Nuthatch		1
Brown-headed Nuthatch		1
Carolina Wren	5	4
Blue-Gray Gnatcatcher	2	11
Eastern Bluebird		7
American Robin	2	7
Brown Thrasher		1
Northern Mockingbird	3	4
European Starling		3
Common Yellowthroat	2	3
Eastern Towhee	3	2
Chipping Sparrow		1
Field Sparrow		3
Northern Cardinal	4	5
Indigo Bunting	1	4
Red-winged Blackbird	2	5
Common Grackle	1	2
Brown-headed Cowbird		30
House Finch	2	6
American Goldfinch	2	2
Totals: 46	28	44