

# **Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report**

**Date:** Saturday, May 21, 2016

**Location:** Lake Conestee Nature Park, Greenville, SC

**Leaders:** Denise DuPon and Paul Serridge

- The longer walk started at 7 a.m. with 3 club members and 4 guests who birded the East Bay loop before returning to the ball-fields to be joined by 4 other club members. From there they did a loop around the West Bay and the north slough on the paved trails and the connector board-walk. After returning to the cars 3 of us drove to Spanco to see if a Spotted Sandpiper reported by Denise was still there - it was.

- The shorter walk started at 8 a.m. at Spanco Drive. 3 club members birded the paved trail and the connector board-walk to the West Bay observation deck before turning around to return to Spanco.

The longer walk reported 52 species, the shorter walk 51. The combined lists (see below) show a total of **59 species** - a good morning's birding. Highlights included the first Great Egret since very early April, a Yellow-breasted Chat, and a family group of 3 young Pileated Woodpeckers.

<b>Species</b>	<b>Short walk</b>	<b>Long walk</b>
Canada Goose	12	6
Wood Duck		3
Mallard	4	2
Great Blue Heron	13	12
Great Egret	1	1
Turkey Vulture	1	
Red-shouldered Hawk	1	5
Killdeer	1	2
Spotted Sandpiper	1	1
Mourning Dove	2	1
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	1	1
Chimney Swift	10	15
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	1	1
Belted Kingfisher		1
Red-bellied Woodpecker	3	3
Downy Woodpecker	1	1
Pileated Woodpecker	1	5
Eastern Wood-Pewee	1	2
Acadian Flycatcher		2

Eastern Phoebe		1
Great-crested Flycatcher	3	1
Eastern Kingbird	3	1
White-eyed Vireo	3	3
Red-eyed Vireo	3	3
Blue Jay	2	
American Crow	1	2
Fish Crow	2	2
N. Rough-winged Swallow	4	4
Barn Swallow	4	7
Carolina Chickadee	5	7
Tufted Titmouse	8	3
White-breasted Nuthatch	1	
Brown-headed Nuthatch	2	5
Carolina Wren	3	3
Blue-Gray Gnatcatcher	6	8
Eastern Bluebird	5	9
American Robin		1
Brown Thrasher	3	2
Northern Mockingbird	3	2
European Starling	1	10
Cedar Waxwing	52	
Prothonotary Warbler	1	2
Common Yellowthroat	1	2
American Redstart	1	3
Northern Parula	1	
Yellow Warbler		1
Pine Warbler	1	2
Yellow-breasted Chat	1	
Chipping Sparrow		2
Field Sparrow		2
Eastern Towhee	1	4
Northern Cardinal	12	9
Indigo Bunting	2	5
Red-winged Blackbird	12	10
Common Grackle	1	12
Brown-headed Cowbird	1	3
Orchard Oriole	1	
House Finch	3	6
American Goldfinch	2	8
<b>Totals: 59</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>52</b>

