

## Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report

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**Date:** August 19, 2017

**Location:** Lake Conestee Nature Park

**Leaders:** Jane Kramer and Joan Baker



See below for a summary of both the regular and shorter walks.

### Regular (Longer) Walk

Twelve birders had a pleasant walk this morning. We started at the Reedy River Bridge to make a loop past the West Bay around on the Swamp Rabbit Trail, past the Bird Nest, and then the paved trail along the river. We finished up by taking the river trail to the East Bay. Yes, it was really quiet. If it weren't for the Carolina Wrens it would have been close to silent!! The list is below.

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Lake Conestee Nature Park, Greenville, South Carolina, US

Aug 19, 2017 7:00 AM - 11:10 AM

Protocol: Traveling

2.5 mile(s)

30 species

Wood Duck 14

Mallard 1

Great Blue Heron 5

Great Egret 2

Red-shouldered Hawk (lineatus Group) 2

Mourning Dove 5

Yellow-billed Cuckoo 1

Chimney Swift 4

Ruby-throated Hummingbird 3

Belted Kingfisher 1

Red-bellied Woodpecker 2

Downy Woodpecker 1

Pileated Woodpecker 1

Eastern Phoebe 1  
Great Crested Flycatcher 2  
White-eyed Vireo 2  
American Crow 2  
Carolina Chickadee 9  
Tufted Titmouse 7  
White-breasted Nuthatch 3  
Carolina Wren 12  
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 1  
Eastern Bluebird 1  
Northern Mockingbird 1  
European Starling 1  
Common Yellowthroat 1  
Pine Warbler 1  
Chipping Sparrow 1  
Northern Cardinal 7  
American Goldfinch 5

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### **Shorter Walk**

5 GCBC members and 2 guests enjoyed a relatively quiet short walk this morning at Lake Conestee.

Highlights were two red-bellied woodpeckers in the south bay doing some fly-catching over the water before landing in the large tree by the parking lot, so that we could get a fairly good look at them. It was an adult and a juvenile.

We had a good look at a young great blue heron off the boardwalk near west bay.

Also a very large snapping turtle was resting just below the first observation deck down the trail from Spanco. Its head must have been 5"-6" across.

The full list is below. At the end of the list is a link to my eBird report, where you can see a couple of photos.

Wood Duck 1 West bay  
Great Blue Heron 1 Juv  
Red-shouldered Hawk 2 Heard at south bay  
Mourning Dove 4  
Chimney Swift 1  
Ruby-throated Hummingbird 1 Flew over at Spanco parking lot  
Belted Kingfisher 1  
Red-bellied Woodpecker 2 Adult and juv

Downy Woodpecker 1  
Blue Jay 2  
American Crow 1  
Carolina Chickadee 1  
Tufted Titmouse 2  
Carolina Wren 5  
American Robin 2  
Brown Thrasher 1  
Northern Mockingbird 1  
European Starling 1  
Common Yellowthroat 1  
Northern Cardinal 8  
Indigo Bunting 1 heard  
American Goldfinch 2

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Happy birding!  
Joan