

Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report

Date: June 3, 2006

Location: Blue Ridge Parkway, NC

Comments: What a beautiful day on the Parkway! If not for the 50 to 60 mph BREEZE, we may have seen a bird or two! Actually, we did see and hear a few birds before our retreat to lower elevations. Some of us had a good look at a Broad-winged Hawk that flew over the first two vehicles and perched, momentarily in a tree beside our car. The falcon at the courthouse looked ready to fledge any time. Seeing it was difficult. It took about three people holding on to prevent JB's scope from flying half way across the valley. We stopped a couple of times coming down, had lunch, then ended the day at Hospital Fields in Brevard. We did make a quick stop at Caesars Head Overlook. Really, the 10 of us had a pretty good day. We got to meet and bird with new club members Louis and Cindy Womble.



Photos:

Peregrine Falcon - photo by Jeff Catlin



Lunchtime!



Downy Woodpecker after a grub

Bird List:

Species list:

- Great Blue Heron
- Green Heron
- Turkey Vulture
- Broad-winged Hawk
- Peregrine Falcon

Killdeer
Rock Dove
Mourning Dove
Yellow-billed Cuckoo
Chimney Swift
Ruby-throated Hummingbird
Pileated Woodpecker
Red-bellied Woodpecker
Downy Woodpecker
Eastern Phoebe
Northern Rough-winged Swallow
Tree Swallow
Barn Swallow
Blue Jay
American Crow
Carolina Chickadee
Tufted Titmouse
Carolina Wren
House Wren
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
Eastern Bluebird
Wood Thrush
American Robin
Gray Catbird
Northern Mockingbird
Brown Thrasher
Cedar Waxwing
European Starling
White-eyed Vireo
Red-eyed Vireo
Blue-headed Vireo
Northern Parula
Chestnut-sided Warbler
Black-and-White Warbler
American Redstart
Ovenbird
Common Yellowthroat
Canada Warbler
Prairie Warbler
Scarlet Tanager
Northern Cardinal
Indigo Bunting
Eastern Towhee
Song Sparrow
Dark-eyed Junco
Red-winged Blackbird
Common Grackle

House Finch
American Goldfinch