

Greenville County Bird Club Trip Report

Date: February 17, 2007

Location: Lake Conestee Nature Park, Greenville, SC

Comments: On Saturday, Feb 17th 6 GCBC members braved the low temperatures (low 30s) and cold wind to bird Lake Conestee Nature Park. A total of 43 species was recorded (see list below). The number of individual ducks was much greater than on recent visits with large groups of Wood Duck, Mallard and Ring-necked Duck on the lakes and wetlands. Wilson's Snipe were once again observed from the overlook near the Conestee Mill. Unfortunately, the American Bittern was not seen. During the bird-walk we met Jeff Beacham of the Conestee Foundation who was leading a group through the Park to plan for the clean-up which will take place on Saturday Feb 24, from 8 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. Volunteers should meet and sign-up at the old Greenville Braves Stadium.

The next GCBC trip to Lake Conestee Nature Park is scheduled for Saturday, March 17th.

- Paul Serridge

Bird List:

- Canada Goose
- Wood Duck
- Mallard
- Ring-necked Duck
- Hooded Merganser
- Pied-billed Grebe
- Great Blue Heron
- Red-shouldered Hawk
- Killdeer
- Wilson's Snipe
- Mourning Dove
- Belted Kingfisher
- Red-bellied Woodpecker
- Downy Woodpecker
- Northern Flicker
- Eastern Phoebe
- Blue Jay
- American Crow
- Carolina Chickadee

Tufted Titmouse
White-breasted Nuthatch
Brown-headed Nuthatch
Brown Creeper
Carolina Wren
Winter Wren
Golden-crowned Kinglet
Ruby-crowned Kinglet
Eastern Bluebird
Hermit Thrush
American Robin
Northern Mockingbird
Brown Thrasher
Eastern Towhee
Field Sparrow
Song Sparrow
Swamp Sparrow
White-throated Sparrow
Dark-eyed Junco
Northern Cardinal
Red-winged Blackbird
Rusty Blackbird
Common Grackle
American Goldfinch