Dear Christmas Birders, January 10, 2011

Thank you again for your assistance with our 2010 Christmas Bird Count. And welcome to those who are first time participants. This year we had 67 families and individuals that watched birds in their yards and 28 of them went forth into the cloudy winter weather to cover areas around their neighborhoods. Thank you for also remembering to give the extra count sheets to your friends. We picked up a few new people that way. Also, thanks for the memos about people to send an invite to for next year. Anytime you can think of someone else we could mail an invite to, give me a call and I will add them to our list. As we increase our counters and the areas they cover, we will be able to continue to improve our information. Though many of you wrote notes about your feeders being slow on count day due to weather, our total of 58 species seen on count day was our third highest. Who knows what the total could have been with some help from the weather Gods. We did get 3 bird species that are recent finds in our area (Red-Shouldered Hawk, Long-Eared Owl, and Eastern Meadow Lark) and relocated some that had been missing on our recent counts. With all the ice, we were limited on waterfowl species. We realize that finding Ruffed Grouse and Brown Creepers is usually up to the late season deer hunters who are dressed for sitting in blinds all day. If anyone knows such a person/group, please send me their names and I will contact them. Of the 58 species we saw, 12 of these species were totaled as highest totals to date. We also have digital pictures of the Raven and Meadow Lark which I am trying to see about being published with either the Wisconsin Society for Ornithology or Audubon.

Even thought it was windy and cold, quite a few of you again seemed to get up a little early or go to bed a bit later this year, resulting in the large number of owls heard in your neighborhoods. I know it is not easy but it really helps covering the area for owls by doing this.

Thank you again for your help. We hope you had fun and enjoyed the activity. You will be contacted around mid to late November with information sheets for our next Christmas Bird Count. Depending on the Packer's schedule, the Christmas Bird Count should be Dec 17th or 18th. Sure hope you will be able to join us again next year.

SPECIES	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
DB CR CORMORANT	-	-	-	25	-	-	-	-
GREAT BLUE HERON	-	cw	-	2	-	-	-	-
TUNDRA SWAN	cw	-	-	-	8	-	-	-
CANADA GOOSE	1063	2401	139	1215	47	48	246	57
SNOW GOOSE	-	-	-	11	14	-	20	-
BLACK DUCK	cw	10	-	cw	-	-	-	46
MALLARD	4	33	-	25	35	cw	cw	1695
CANVASBACK DUCK	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
RED HEAD DUCK	-	-	-	15	1	-	-	-
GOLDENEYE	cw	4	-	40	-	-	-	-
GREATER SCAUP	cw	15	-	12	-	-	-	-
BUFFLEHEAD	20	4	-	18	-	-	-	-
COMMON MERGANSER	cw	320	-	37	-	-	-	-
RED-BR MERGANSER	cw	-	-	81	-	-	-	-
HOODED MERGANSER	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-
TURKEY VULTURE	-	-	-	cw	6	-	3	3
BALD EAGLE	cw	1	cw	13	1	4	-	1
NORTHERN HARRIER	cw	6	-	-	1	-	5	1
SHARP SHINNED HAWK	2	1	2	3	2	4	2	2
COOPER'S HAWK	3	2	3	4	5	9	8	12
NORTHERN GOSHAWK	3	cw	2	3	-	-	4	X
RED-TAIL HAWK	21	21	16	25	21	24	29	52
ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK	3	3	2	3	1	2	1	7
RED-SHOULDERED HAWK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
KESTREL	7	7	4	30	10	20	7	10
PERIGRINE FALCON	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
MERLIN	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
GRAY PARTRIDGE	-	-	2	-	17	-	-	-
RING-NECK PHEASANT	26	25	34	47	49	49	24	15
RUFFED GROUSE	1	4	-	-	-	-	2	-
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WILD TURKEY	96	147	309	426	338	472	402	358
NORTHERN BOBWHITE	-	-	7	-	9	6		-
RING BILLED GULL	5	4	-	6	1	5	_	_
HERRING GULL	21	69	8	254	4	153	16	2
GLAUCOUS GULL	_	-	-	1		-	-	-
ROCK DOVE	203	179	71	604	308	500	549	750
MOURNING DOVE	292	166	313	343	377	512	340	291
EASTERN SCREECH OWL	1	1	-	2	5	1	1	3
GREAT HORNED OWL	7	3	5	7	6	7	14	9
BARRED OWL	1	2	3	3	-	1	3	2
SHORT-EARED OWL	-	1	-	-	_	1	-	-
LONG EARED OWL	_	-	_	_	_	-	_	1
SNOWY OWL	_	_	cw	2	2	_	_	1
RED-HEADED WOODPECKER	4	3	5	7	5	7	7	8
RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER	26	33	44	34	49	43	47	66
YELLOW-BEL SAPSUCKER	1	_	_	_	1	-	5	_
DOWNY WOODPECKER	80	67	107	120	118	133	110	146
HAIRY WOODPECKER	32	33	37	56	50	52	66	80
NORTHERN FLICKER	7	3	3	8	2	4	9	7
PILEATED WOODPECKER	4	6	2	10	4	4	6	7
NORTHERN SHRIKE	1	1	_	1	1	1	_	3
BLUE JAY	135	70	168	84	108	136	160	138
CROW	188	235	186	387	175	305	468	412
COMMON RAVEN	2	5	5	19	2	2	4	1
HORNED LARK	25	4	56	5	3	22	19	7
BLACK-CAP CHICKADEE	272	277	293	241	349	273	330	319
TUFFED TITMOUSE	-	-	-	1	-	28	18	10
RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH	9	25	11	39	37	33	34	34
WHITE-BR NUTHATCH	68	95	107	65	106	96	92	131
BROWN CREEPER	-	-	1	3	-	-	cw	-
WINTER WREN	-	-	-	-	-	-	cw	-
AMERICAN ROBIN	1	1	1	1	-	2	cw	1
EASTERN BLUEBIRD	-	-	6	cw	11	-	-	2
CEDAR WAXWING	34	263	16	15	55	57	31	112
EUROPEAN STARLING	226	125	185	2127	170	963	821	508
CHIPPING SPARROW	-	-	-	1	2	2	-	4
TREE SPARROW	18	33	21	46	82	135	180	155
HARRIS'S SPARROW	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
WHITE-THROATED SPARROW	1	6	2	-	2	11	-	5
WHITE CROWNED SPARROW	-	-	1	-	10	-	4	X
SWAMP SPARROW	-	-	1	-	2	2	-	-
SONG SPARROW	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
SLATE COLORED JUNCO	432	165	357	266	377	332	335	309
LAPLAND LONGSPUR	-	6	6	5	-	-	-	5
SNOW BUNTING	68	15	149	684	224	341	68	180
NORTHERN CARDINAL	161	102	194	120	112	159	177	184
ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
EASTERN MEADOWLARK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
RUSTY BLACKBIRD	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	-
COMMON GRACKLE	5	cw	3	-	2	1	-	10
PINE GROSBEAK	2	-	2	4	17	2	13	3
EVENING GROSBEAK	-	cw	-	4	6	4	-	-
PURPLE FINCH	32	43	56	40	29	34	44	55
HOUSE FINCH	104	190	154	140	187	217	158	190
COMMON REDPOLL	4	29	4	14	132	30	8	13
PINE SISKIN	13	27	41	cw	2	61	21	27
AMERICAN GOLDFINCH	3303	474	463	261	463	894	602	496
HOUSE (ENGLISH) SPARROW	<u>526</u>	<u>358</u>	<u>524</u>	<u>720</u>	<u>519</u>	<u>387</u>	<u>487</u>	<u>462</u>
TOTAL SPECIES SEEN	52	55	51	63	64	54	53	58
DURING PERIOD ONLY	8	4	2	4	-	1	4	2
TOTAL COUNTED	4,581	6,140	4,166	8,812	4,688	6,600	6,042	7,426

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