

Count Summary Report

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Count Name: Pendleton County	Count Code: WVPC	Count Date: 12/18/2024
Organizations & Sponsors:	# of Party Hours: 56.50	Species reported on count date: 70

Compiler(s)

First Name	Last Name	Email	Is Primary Compiler
Frederick	Atwood	fredatwood@yahoo.com	Yes

Start & End Times

Start time	End time
06:30 AM	06:00 PM

Effort

Observers	
In Field	Total Number: 11
	Minimum Number of Parties (daylight): 2
	Maximum Number of Parties (daylight): 7
At Feeders	Total Number: 8

Party Hours and Distance (excludes viewing at feeders and nocturnal birding)			
By	Hours	Distance	Units
Foot	31.00	17.50	Miles
Car	25.50	175.00	Miles
Air			
All-Terrain Vehicle			
Bicycle			
Dog Sled			
Golfcart			
Horseback			
Motorized Boat			
Non-Motorized Boat			
Skis/Xc-Skis			
Snowmachine			
Snowshoe			
Wheelchair			

Other Time and Distance			
	Hours	Distance	Units
At Feeders	18.00		

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Nocturnal Birding	1.75	10.00	Miles
Total Party	56.50	192.50	Miles

Weather

Weather Summary			
Temperature	Minimum: 27.0 Fahrenheit	Maximum: 55.0 Fahrenheit	
Wind Direction	Variable		
Wind Velocity	Minimum: 0.00 Miles/hour	Maximum: 10.00 Miles/hour	
Snow Depth	Minimum: 0.00 Inches	Maximum: 0.00 Inches	
Still Water	Partly Frozen		
Moving Water	Open		
AM and PM Conditions			
Cloud Cover	AM: Partly Cloudy	PM: Cloudy	
AM Rain	None		
AM Snow	None		
PM Rain	Light, None		
PM Snow	None		

Checklist

Species	Number or cw	Flags	Max Number	# Of Counts	Editor Comm.
Ross's Goose	1	US,	1/125	1	eo ph
Canada Goose	90		517/117	29	
Gadwall	1		3/123	3	
American Wigeon	1		8/100	4	
American Black Duck	5		80/115	21	
Mallard	28		268/115	30	
dabbling duck sp.	15		280/114	8	
Ring-necked Duck	3		7/122	7	
Hooded Merganser	9		50/124	14	
Common Merganser	41		80/124	13	
Ruffed Grouse	1		10/83	35	eo
Wild Turkey	87	HC,	87/125	31	
Great Blue Heron (Blue form)	5		13/89	38	
Black Vulture	25		159/120	31	
Turkey Vulture	39		171/117	21	
Golden Eagle	4		6/124	34	3ad 1im
Northern Harrier	3	HC,	3/125	7	

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Sharp-shinned Hawk	1		3/98	28	
Cooper's Hawk	4		7/111	25	
Bald Eagle	24		42/120	25	14ad 10im
Red-shouldered Hawk	5		10/121	15	
Red-tailed Hawk	22		40/86	45	
Killdeer	10		18/113	29	
Wilson's Snipe	4		9/123	8	
Rock Pigeon (Feral Pigeon)	183		287/87	41	
Mourning Dove	233		457/121	46	
Eastern Screech-Owl	2		10/120	33	
Great Horned Owl	1		4/89	30	
Belted Kingfisher	7		14/115	46	
Red-headed Woodpecker	12		23/100	28	
Red-bellied Woodpecker	59		96/123	46	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	13		37/122	37	
Downy Woodpecker	53		97/122	47	
Hairy Woodpecker	20		30/122	46	
Northern Flicker (Yellow-shafted)	16		45/122	41	
Pileated Woodpecker	31		58/122	47	
American Kestrel	23		24/121	46	
Eastern Phoebe	7		10/122	34	
Blue Jay	164		527/123	47	
American Crow	294		1718/95	47	
Common Raven	51		72/122	44	
Black-capped Chickadee	134		220/122	47	
Tufted Titmouse	184		272/117	47	
Red-breasted Nuthatch	7		72/121	24	
White-breasted Nuthatch	118		173/122	47	
Brown Creeper	10		16/124	39	
Winter Wren	17		23/122	15	
Carolina Wren	104		134/122	45	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	67		95/113	41	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	4		6/120	20	
Eastern Bluebird	164		174/122	42	
Hermit Thrush	12		33/122	19	
American Robin	162		200/112	35	
Gray Catbird	1		1/125	7	eo
Northern Mockingbird	26		40/122	47	
European Starling	800		3350/118	47	es

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Cedar Waxwing	346		448/114	31	
Palm Warbler	1	US,	1/125	1	ed eo
Yellow-rumped Warbler (Myrtle)	40		247/122	24	
Field Sparrow	18		76/113	37	
Dark-eyed Junco (Slate-colored)	614		4050/121	47	
White-throated Sparrow	135		547/121	41	
Song Sparrow	85		227/121	46	
Swamp Sparrow	1		4/120	15	
Eastern Towhee	4		11/123	18	
Northern Cardinal	86		278/121	47	
Red-winged Blackbird	1		87/91	25	
House Finch	85		611/95	40	
Purple Finch	71		100/83	33	
American Goldfinch	95		298/118	45	
House Sparrow	95		352/80	47	
Total Individuals	5084				
Total Species Reported	70				

cw = Reported count week
 US = Flagged as an unusual species
 HC = Flagged as an unusually high count
 LC = Flagged as an unusually low count

Species Requiring Rare Bird Reports to be Submitted to Regional Editor

Species

Ross's Goose [Chen rossii]

Palm Warbler [Setophaga palmarum]

Special Aspects

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1. Two new, but not surprising, species were found for the count circle: Ross's Goose, and Palm Warbler. eBird list with photos (Ross's Goose) and RBR (palm warbler) have been submitted for documentation.
2. Rain was expected off and on for most of the day, but birding conditions were mostly pleasant, with about an hour of light rain showers in the mid-afternoon. Except for a little skim ice on parts of some of the lakes/ponds, all water was open.
3. Fewer waterfowl were roosting in Broad Run Lake overnight than in recent years. The observer checked during both dawn departure and dusk arrival. Perhaps the warmer winter so far has kept more of the waterfowl up north. This may also explain the slightly lower than average numbers of some sparrows and other passerines; the absence of pipits, larks, fox sparrow and white-crowned sparrow; the lingering catbird, palm warbler, snipe and killdeer; and the higher-than-average number of phoebes and winter wrens. Another factor contributing to the lower numbers of sparrows, and cardinals may be the lack of snow cover which often forces these birds to the roadsides in search of food. Almost all of this count circle is conducted along public roads, not on trails or private properties. Cedar and other "soft mast" food was abundant this winter which explains the highest count (346) of cedar waxwings since CBC 114, one of the highest counts of robins, and only the second double-digit tally of Hermit Thrushes (12).
4. Vulture numbers were the lowest in a decade.
5. The 71 Purple Finch total is the highest tally since I have been the compiler. 32 of these were in one flock. The observer commented "One flock -- I have never seen so many at once away from a feeder."
6. Though the eagle numbers were about average, one observer commented that he has never found only one eagle in his sector before. Golden eagles are expected in this mountainous part of the state in the winter. Here are the eagle totals:
Golden Eagle: Adult 3; Immature 1
Bald Eagle: Adult 14; Immature 10