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CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

**Coeur d'Alene
Christmas Bird Count**

Doug Ward and Shirley Sturts, organizers

Date Set: December 19th, Saturday - If you have not already responded to our previous notices, please let us know that you want to participate. Doug is going to organize the areas that we need to cover in the circle. The division of areas will be different from past years. If there is an area you are interested in doing, contact Doug.

We will be doing the CBC but with some changes. There will be no breakfast or after count gathering. You can either go out by yourself or organize your own team of 2 or more that you feel comfortable being with. Another way to participate is to stay home and count birds at your feeder. Please send email to both of us at:

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Feeder Watch

From the Cornell Lab Citizen Science Network



Photo by George Saylor

WHAT IS FEEDERWATCH?

Project FeederWatch turns your love of feeding birds into scientific discoveries. FeederWatch is a winter-long (November-April) survey of birds that visit feeders at backyards, nature centers, community areas, and other locales in North America. Participants periodically count the birds they see at their feeders and send their counts to Project FeederWatch. Your bird counts help you keep track of what is happening in your own backyard and help scientists track long-term trends in bird distribution and abundance. With FeederWatch, your observations become part of something bigger.

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Photo by Larry Krumpelman

Anyone interested in birds can participate. FeederWatch is conducted by people of all skill levels and backgrounds, including children, families, individuals, classrooms, retired persons, youth groups, nature centers, and bird clubs. You can count birds as often as every week, or as infrequently as you like: the schedule is completely flexible. All you need is a bird feeder, bird bath, or plantings that attract birds.

New participants are sent a [Research Kit](#) with complete instructions for participating, as well as a bird identification poster, calendar, and more. You provide the feeder(s) and seed. Then each fall participants receive our 16-page, year-end report, [Winter Bird Highlights](#). Participants also receive access to the digital version of Living Bird, the Cornell Lab's award-winning, quarterly magazine.

Project FeederWatch is supported almost entirely by its participants. The annual participation fee is \$18 for U.S. residents (\$15 for Cornell Lab members). Canadians

can participate by joining Bird Studies Canada for CAN\$35. The participation fee covers materials, staff support, web design, data analysis, and the year-end report (Winter Bird Highlights). Without the support of our participants, this project wouldn't be possible. [Click here to join today!](#)

Recent Bird Sighting

Trumpeter Swan - Bison Range, MT -
October 7 - Photo by Darlene Carlton



Surf Scoter 4 - Avondale Lake - October 16
- Photo by Ernie and Vera Ewing



Surf Scoter - 1 f/imm - Hayden Lake Dike Road - October 24 - Doug Ward (Surf Scoters have been showing up in in Several areas: St. Maries and Potlatch Sewage Ponds, Elk City area, Tolo Lake near Grangeville, Valley County, Granite Lake in Spokane County) Continued on page 3

Recent Bird Sighting

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Common Loon 1 - CDA Lake $\frac{1}{4}$ mile past Silver Beach - George Sayler

Pacific Loon 1 - Blue Creek Bay, CDA Lake - October 19 - Doug Ward

Spruce Grouse 1 - Skitwish Mountain - week of October 18 - Ted Smith

Osprey Juvenile - Bison Range, MT - October 10 - Photo by Darlene Carlton



Anna's Hummingbird - adult male - October 12 - showed up again October 24 - at his feeder - Hayden - Doug Ward

Blue Jay - in her yard - October 26 - Peggy Albertson, photo by Doug Albertson



Clark's Nutcracker 5 - Skitwish Mountain - week of October 18 - Ted Smith

White-throated Sparrow 1 - Loch Haven, Hayden - October 27 - Doug Ward

Field Trips

Mica Bay Survey



Date: November 10, Tuesday (Held 2nd Tuesday of each month - times vary depending on the month)

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Meet: Fairmont Loop and Highway 95

Leader: Janet Callen

Activity: We spend about 3 hours once a month counting birds at Mica Bay. Beginner birders are welcome. Distancing rules are followed

Mica Bay Survey Field Trip

October 13 , 2020

Darlene Carlton, Karen Williams and Janet Callen went birding at Mica Bay this morning in the rain and wind. We had a pretty good day despite the weather.

Common Raven-5

Sparrow Species -1

Red-breasted Nuthatch - 2

House Finch -1

Steller's Jay-1

Wild Turkey- 4

California Quail - 3

Bald Eagle - 1

Black-capped Chickadee - 2

American Robin - 2

Canada Geese - 250

Great-blue Heron - 1

American Wigeon - 200

Red-winged Blackbird - 20

Gadwall - 1

We might have seen more Gadwall, but the rain and wind was getting worse. However, we all agreed, it was good to get out and do something.

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