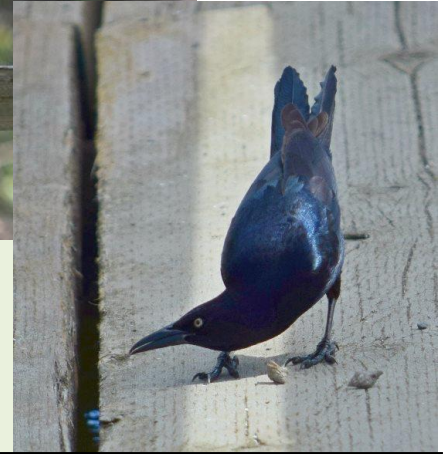


Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society Spring Birdathon final trip report
The Persistent Picidae's led by Lisa Myers – our search for 100 species! April 11, 2015
Birding the north/west parts of Santa Clara County

Birdathon Review – The Persistent Picidae's welcome all levels of birders. Our goal; to go out and find 100 species, have a fun time and raise money for SCVAS. This year I hoped to find our 100 species with less driving around the county & we succeeded. We slept in and started at 8:00 AM at McClellan Ranch and found our first 37 species of the day. From there we drove up to Picchetti Winery & then Steven's Creek County Park and found 18 new species. Then we headed to the Palo Alto Baylands where we lunched & birded around the Ranger Station, checked out the duck pond, stopped in at the Eco Center and drove out past the Lucy Evans Center. These areas gave us an additional 22 new species. On our way out we stopped to bird Geng Road where we added Common Yellowthroat & Bullock's Oriole to our adventure. Terminal Blvd. was next, and a walk past Shoreline Lake and along Charleston Slough gave us 13 more birds we needed, but we were not yet done. So we headed for Alviso. As we scanned the ponds around the marina, plus the ponds and fields around the EEC we found our 99th species & headed back to McClellan Ranch. On our way we added #100, as White Throated Swifts flew overhead! Birdathons are fun & a lot of work. We ended our day before 6:00 PM and we all made it home for dinner! I wish to THANK everyone who signed up to be on the team because it is a team effort. We thank everyone who supported our efforts. The Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society Spring Birdathon is a very important fundraiser for the organization, its members and all the birds.



A pair of Hairy Woodpeckers #48 at Cooley Picnic Area & male Great-tailed Grackle #92 at Shoreline Lake - Photographed by team member Annette Teng



Our birds according to where we saw them and in the order in which they were enjoyed!

McClellan Ranch

- 1 Mallard
- 2 Red Shouldered Hawk
- 3 Mourning Dove
- 4 Band Tailed Pigeon
- 5 Anna's Hummingbird
- 6 Nuttall's Woodpecker
- 7 Northern Flicker
- 8 Acorn Woodpecker
- 9 Black Phoebe
- 10 Warbling Vireo
- 11 Western Scrub-Jay
- 12 Steller's Jay
- 13 American Crow
- 14 Common Raven
- 15 Northern Rough Wing
- 16 Violet Green Swallow
- 17 Oak Titmouse
- 18 Bushtit
- 19 Chestnut Backed Chick..
- 20 Brown Creeper
- 21 White Breasted Nuthatch
- 22 Bewick's Wren
- 23 House Wren
- 24 Western Bluebird
- 25 American Robin
- 26 European Starling

- 27 Northern Mockingbird
- 28 Cedar Waxwing
- 29 Yellow-rumped Warbler
- 30 Spotted Towhee
- 31 California Towhee
- 32 Song Sparrow
- 33 White-crowned Sparrow
- 34 Golden-crowned Sparrow
- 35 Dark-eyed Junco
- 36 Brown-headed Cowbird
- 37 Hooded Oriole

Picchetti Winery

- 38 House Finch
- 39 Lesser Goldfinch
- 40 Turkey Vulture
- 41 Red-tail Hawk
- 42 Rock Pigeon

**Steven's Creek Cty Park
Cooley Picnic Area**

- 43 Varied Thrush
- 44 Black-Headed Grosbeak
- 45 Wrentit
- 46 Hutton's Vireo
- 47 Canada Goose
- 48 Orange Crowned Warbler
- 49 Hairy Woodpecker

**Steven's Creek Cty Park
Chestnut Picnic Area**

- 50 Cooper's Hawk
- 51 Golden Eagle
- 52 Downy Woodpecker
- 53 Pacific Slope Flycatcher
- 54 California Quail
- 55 Ash Throated Flycatcher

Palo Alto Baylands

- 56 Greater Scaup
- 57 Ruddy Duck
- 58 Great Egret
- 59 Snowy Egret
- 60 Black Crowned Night Heron
- 61 American Coot
- 62 American Avocets
- 63 California Gull
- 64 Forster's Tern
- 65 Bonaparte's Gull
- 66 Ruby-crowned Kinglet
- 67 Red-winged Blackbird
- 68 Cliff Swallow
- 69 Barn Swallow
- 70 Gadwall
- 71 Green-winged Teal
- 72 Northern Harrier
- 73 Black-necked Stilt
- 74 Greater Yellowlegs
- 75 Long-billed Curlew
- 76 Willet
- 77 Least Sandpiper

Geng Road

- 78 Common Yellowthroat
- 79 Bullock's Oriole

**Shoreline Lake &
Charleston Slough area**

- 80 Ring-billed Gull
- 81 Northern Shoveler
- 82 Surf Scoter
- 83 Western Grebe
- 84 Clark's Grebe
- 85 Canvasback
- 86 Double-crested Cormorant
- 87 Marbled Godwit
- 88 Dowitcher
- 89 Killdeer
- 90 Black Skimmer
- 91 House Sparrow
- 92 Great Tailed Grackle

Alviso & Surrounding areas

- 93 Eurasian Collared Dove
- 94 Eared Grebe
- 95 American Kestrel
- 96 Western Sandpiper
- 97 Glaucous Winged Gull
- 98 Pied-billed Grebe
- 99 Dunlin

237 Drive By - overhead

- 100 White Throated Swift
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