ALABAMA CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS, 1997-1998

Gerald Moske and Sue Moske

AUBURN: 29 December, 14 Observers, 41.0 Party-hours, 160.0 Party-miles: Pied-b Grebe, 10; Gt Blue Heron, 33; Wood Duck, 6; Mallard, 6; Ring-nk Duck, 2; L Scaup,1; Bufflehead,10; Hooded Merganser,113; Ruddy Duck,8; Black Vulture, 20; Turkey Vulture, 31; N Harrier, 1; Sharp-shin Hawk, 2; Red-shird Hawk,3; Red-t Hawk,9; Am Kestrel,7; Merlin,1; Turkey,6; Am Coot,8; Killdeer, 31; Com Snipe, 2; Rock Dove, 84; Eur Col Dove, 1; Mourning Dove, 197; E Screech Owl,3; Gt Horned Owl,1; Barred Owl,1; Ruf Hummingbird,1(banded); B Kingfisher, 12; Red-hd Wdpkr, 1; Red-b Wdpkr, 37; Y-b Sapsucker, 8; Downy Wdpkr,13; Hairy Wdpkr,3; N(Yel-shft)Flicker,22; Pileated Wdpkr,8; E Phoebe,12; Blue Jay, 66; Am Crow, 259; Fish Crow, 2; Caro Chickadee, 76; Tufted Titmouse, 5 4: Brn-hd Nuthatch, 24: Caro Wren, 31: Winter Wren, 3: Sedge Wren, 1: G-c Kinglet, 17; R-c Kinglet, 31; E Bluebird, 61; Hermit Thrush, 3; Am Robin, 1423; N Mockingbird, 27; Brn Thrasher, 7; Am Pipit, 73; Cedar Waxwing, 53; L Shrike, 5; E Starling, 252; Blu-hd Vireo, 1; Yel-rp Warbler, 64; Pine Warbler, 25; Com Yellowthroat, 1; N Cardinal, 99; E Towhee, 85; Chipping Sp, 94; Field Sp, 8; Vesper Sp,1; Savannah Sp,24; Fox Sp,2; Song Sp,66; Swamp Sp,35; White-thr Sp,169; D-e(Sl-col)Junco,71; Red-wg Blackbird,253; E Meadowlark,31; Com Grackle,41 5; Brn-h Cowbird, 70; House Finch, 55; Am Goldfinch, 103; House Sp. 18.

Total species: 78; Total individuals: 4,872.

Count week: Nothing reported.

Compiler: Julian L. Dusi, Dept. of Zoology & Wildlife Science, Auburn University, Auburn, AL 36849.

Birmingham: 27 December, 34 Observers, 97.5 Party-hours, 423,0 Party-miles: Com Loon,1; Pied-b Grebe,36; Gt Blue Heron,16; Canada Goose,38; Wood Duck,41; Mallard,75; Gadwall,5; Canvasback,17; Ring-nk Duck,185; L Scaup, 42; Ruddy Duck, 19; N Harrier, 1; Sharp-shin Hawk, 5; Cooper's Hawk, 6; accipiter, sp, 2; Red-shird Hawk, 15; Red-t Hawk, 42; Am Kestrel, 13; Turkey, 1; Am Coot,96; Killdeer,42; Com Snipe,3; Forester's Tern,1; Rock Dove,1553; Mourning Dove, 512; E Screech Owl, 6; Gt Horned Owl, 2; Barred Owl, 3; B Kingfisher, 19; Red-hd Wdpkr, 16(Lo); Red-b Wdpkr, 85; Y-b Sapsucker, 22(Lo); Downy Wdpkr,46; Hairy Wdpkr,5; N(Yel-shft)Flicker,47(Lo); Pileated Wdpkr,3(L o); E Phoebe, 19; Blue Jay, 254; Am Crow, 567; Caro Chickadee, 156; Tufted Titmouse, 156; Red-b Nuthatch, 1; White-br Nuthatch, 22(Lo); Brn-hd Nuthatch, 7 4; Brn Creeper,3; Caro Wren,78(Lo); Winter Wren,4; G-c Kinglet,38; R-c Kinglet,46(Lo); E Bluebird,92; Hermit Thrush,32; Am Robin,1348; Gry Catbird,2; N Mockingbird, 90(Lo); Brn Thrasher, 27; Am Pipit, 1; Cedar Waxwing, 1070; L Shrike,6; E Starling,5782; Yel-rp Warbler,232; Pine Warbler, 19(Lo); N Cardinal, 194; E Towhee, 71(Lo); Chipping Sp, 244(Hi); Field Sp, 59; Savannah Sp(und), 26; Fox Sp,5(Lo); Song Sp,226; Lincoln's Sp,1; Swamp Sp,124; White-thr Sp,298; D-e(SI-col)Junco,370; D-e(Oregon)Junco,2 Red-wg Blackbird,284 E Meadowlark,

60 Com Grackle, **430(Lo)**; Brn-h Cowbird, 35 Balt Oriole, 1; Purple Finch, **11(Lo)**; House Finch, 126 Pine Siskin, 12 Am Goldfinch, 163 House Sp, **38(Lo)**.

Total species: 81; Total individuals: 15,920.... windy weather that threatened storms...discouraged birds from showing themselves. Lake Purdy was full...with 6" of water flowing over the dam...leaving virtually no mudflats for shorebirds.

Count week: Turkey Vulture, Rusty Blackbird.

Compiler: Robert R. Reid Jr., 2616 Mountain Brook Parkway, Birmingham, AL 35223.

DAUPHIN ISLAND: 30 December, 21 Observers, 79.25 Party-hours, 250.75 Party-miles:

Com Loon, 54; Pied-b Grebe, 12; Horned Grebe, 198; Red-neck Grebe, 2 (good details); Eared Grebe, 1; N Gannet, 17; Wh Pelican, 16; Brn Pelican, 368; D-cr Cormorant, 1944(Hi); Gt Blue Heron, 82; Gt Egret, 41; Snowy Egret, 38; Ltl Blue Heron, 19: Tricol Heron, 13; Reddish Egret, 7; Cattle Egret, 2; Bl-cr N-Heron, 6; Wh Ibis, 2; Fulvus Whstl-Duck, 1; Gt, Wh-Frt Goose, 1(New)(good details); Canada Goose, 5; Green-w Teal, 3; Am Black Duck, 10; Mottled Duck, 6; Mallard, 29; N Shoveler, 1; Gadwall, 1; Am Widgeon, 6; Redhead, 1; Ring-nk Duck, 2; Gt Scaup, 4; L Scaup, 1397(Hi); scaup, sp.88; Black Scoter, 8(good details); Com Goldeneye, 5 7; Bufflehead, 203; Hooded Merganser, 46; Red-br Merganser, 214; Ruddy Duck,5; duck,sp,12; Turkey Vulture,1; Osprey,5; Bald Eagle,1; N Harrier,3; Sharp-shin Hawk,3; Cooper's Hawk,2; Red-t Hawk,2; Am Kestrel,34; Merlin,1; hawk,sp,3; Clapper Rail,8; Virginia Rail,1; Sora Rail,1; Am Coot,135; Black-b Plover,52; Snowy Plover,6; Semipalm Plover,9; Piping Plover,12; Killdeer,74; Am Oystercatcher, 20; G Yellowlegs, 15; L Yellowlegs, 8; Willet, 213; Ruddy Turnstone, 35; Red Knot, 8; Sanderling, 136; W Sandpiper, 71; Least Sandpiper, 1; Dunlin, 284; S-b Dowitcher, 11; Laughing Gull, 995; Bonaparte's Gull, 14; Ring-b Gull,443; Herring Gull,122; gull,sp.53; Caspian Tern,43; Royal Tern,95; Forster's Tern, 174; Least Tern, 12 (good details); tern, sp, 1; Black Skimmer, 79; Rock Dove,38; Eur Col Dove,58; Mourning Dove,536; B Kingfisher,27; Red-hd Wdpkr,1; Red-b Wdpkr,16; Y-b Sapsucker,3; Downy Wdpkr,1; E Phoebe,19; Tree Swallow, 103; Blue Jay, 57; Fish Crow, 1; Red-b Nuthatch, 3; Caro Wren, 20; House Wren,5; Sedge Wren,23; wren,sp,3; R-c Kinglet,11; Bl-gr Knatcatcher,6; E Bluebird, 53; Am Robin, 393; Gry Catbird, 2; N Mockingbird, 36; Brn Thrasher, 8; L Shrike,4; E Starling,375; Blu-hd Vireo,2; Orange-cr Warbler,3; Yel-rp Warbler,623; Pine Warbler,23; Prairie Warbler,1; Palm Warbler,9; Com Yellowthroat, 3; N Cardinal, 3; E Towhee, 4; Chipping Sp, 21; Field Sp, 6; Vesper Sp,2; Savannah Sp(und),23; Le Conte's Sp,1; (Nel's)Sharp-t Sp,3; Seaside Sp,12; Song Sp,30; Swamp Sp,18; White-thr Sp,20; D-e(SI-col)Junco,1; Red-wg Blackbird, 687; E Meadowlark, 45; Brewer's Blackbird, 3; Boat-t Grackle, 21; Com Grackle, 32; Brn-h Cowbird, 100; House Finch, 11; Am Goldfinch, 4; House Sp. 5. O Brown-headed Total species: 131; Total individuals: 11,372. Nuthatches due to Hurricane Danny.

Count week: Great Horned Owl.

Compiler: John Porter, Post Office Box 848, Dauphin Island, AL 36528.

EUFAULA NWR: 19 December, 12 Observers, 39.5 Party-hours, 179.5 Party-miles:

Pied-b Grebe, 8; D-cr Cormorant, 147; Anhinga, 9; Gt Blue Heron, 141; Gt Egret,51; Bl-cr N-Heron,9; Gt Wh-frt Goose,10; Snow Goose,2(blu morph); Snow Goose.9: Canada Goose,720: Wood Duck,189: Green-w Teal,420; Am Black Duck, 1; Mallard, 295; Pintail, 10; N Shoveler, 76; Gadwall, 253; Am Widgeon, 226; Canvasback, 8; Redhead, 3; Ring-nk Duck, 305; L Scaup, 6; Bufflehead, 54; Hooded Merganser,3; Ruddy Duck,2; duck,sp,100; Black Vulture,4; Turkey Vulture,57; Osprey,1; Bald Eagle,2; N Harrier,4; Sharp-shin Hawk,4; Cooper's Hawk,3; Redshird Hawk,6; Red-t Hawk,42; Am Kestrel,8; Turkey,5; N Bobwhite,2; King Rail, 1; Sora Rail, 1; Com Moorhen, 1; Am Coot, 892; Sandhill Crane, 59; Killdeer, 62; G Yellowlegs, 12; Dunlin, 13; Com Snipe, 76; Am Woodcock, 1; Bonaparte's Gull,4; Ring-b Gull,6000(Hi); Herring Gull,2; Forster's Tern,5; Rock Dove.34: Mourning Dove.190: Grn-Dove.2: Bn Owl.2: E Screech Owl.3: Gt Horned Owl, 2; Barred Owl, 1; B Kingfisher, 9; Red-hd Wdpkr, 1; Red-b Wdpkr, 27; Y-b Sapsucker,7; Downy Wdpkr,29; Hairy Wdpkr,1; N(Yel-shft)Flicker,32; Pileated Wdpkr,12; E Phoebe,29; Blue Jay,65; Am Crow,278; Fish Crow,26; crow, sp, 50; Caro Chickadee, 34; Tufted Titmouse, 37; White-br Nuthatch, 1; Brnhd Nuthatch, 17; Brn Creeper, 1; Caro Wren, 64; House Wren, 2; Winter Wren, 1; Sedge Wren, 1; Marsh Wren, 1; G-c Kinglet, 2; R-c Kinglet, 39; Bl-gr Knatcatcher, 2; E Bluebird, 35; Hermit Thrush, 3; Am Robin, 84; Gry Catbird, 3; N Mockingbird, 26; Brn Thrasher,9; Am Pipit,76; Cedar Waxwing,28; L Shrike,6; E Starling,57; Bluhd Vireo,2; Orange-cr Warbler,1; Yel-rp Warbler,335; Pine Warbler,34; Palm Warbler, 2; Com Yellowthroat, 15; N Cardinal, 31; E Towhee, 47; Chipping Sp., 49; Field Sp,29; Vesper Sp,45; Savannah Sp(und),21; Le Conte's Sp,2; Fox Sp,2; Song Sp,141; Swamp Sp,220; White-thr Sp,43; White-cr Sp,1; D-e(SIcol)Junco,32; Red-wg Blackbird,351; E Meadowlark,120; Rusty Blackbird,1; Com Grackle, 284; Brn-h Cowbird, 16; blackbird, sp, 50; House Finch, 12; Am Goldfinch, 38; House Sp, 13.

Total species: 119; **Total individuals:** 13,591..... Beavers, Armadillos, and Alligators were active during daylight hours on count day.

Count Week: Common Loon.

Compiler: Sam Pate, Box 157, Fortson, Georgia 31808.

FORT MORGAN: 27 December, 20 Observers, 68.75 Party-hours, 212.5 Party-miles:

Com Loon, 28; Pied-b Grebe, 29; Horned Grebe, 34; N Gannet, 21; Brn Pelican, 59 7; D-cr Cormorant, 20,082; Gt Blue Heron, 29; Gt Egret, 8; N Shoveler, 2; Gt Scaup, 3; L Scaup, 73; Com Goldeneye, 1; Bufflehead, 45; Hooded Merganser, 13; Red-br Merganser, 46; duck, sp, 8; Osprey, 2; N Harrier, 2; Red-shlrd Hawk, 1; Red-t Hawk, 3; Am Kestrel, 11; Am Coot, 2; Black-b Plover, 8; Snowy Plover, 1; Killdeer, 32; Am Oystercatcher, 1; Willet, 23; Ruddy Turnstone, 5; Sanderling, 76; Dunlin, 1; peep, sp, 20; Laughing Gull, 413; Ring-b Gull, 99; Herring Gull, 53; Caspian Tern, 1; Royal Tern, 56; Forster's Tern, 224; Eur Col Dove, 21; Mourning Dove, 68; Grn-Dove, 8; Gt Horned Owl, 3; nightjar, sp, 1; Bl-chin Hummingbird, 1; B Kingfisher, 7; Red-b Wdpkr, 5; Y-b Sapsucker, 1; N(Yel-shft) Flicker, 7; Pileated

Wdpkr,1; E Phoebe,12; Tree Swallow,2; Blue Jay,14; Tufted Titmouse,4; Caro Wren,10; House Wren,8; Sedge Wren,1; Marsh Wren,5; G-c Kinglet,1; R-c Kinglet,34; Bl-gr Knatcatcher,37; E Bluebird,15; Am Robin,0(Lo); Gry Catbird,9; N Mockingbird,27; Sage Thrasher,1(New); L Shrike,3; E Starling,102; White-e Vireo,7; Blu-hd Vireo,3; Orange-cr Warbler,1; Yel-rp Warbler,402; Yel-thr Warbler,1; Pine Warbler,44; Prairie Warbler,2; Palm Warbler,35; Ovenbird,2 (New); Com Yellowthroat,4; Wilson's Warbler,1; N Cardinal,29; E Towhee,17; Chipping Sp,49; Field Sp,1; Savannah Sp(und),17; Song Sp,6; Swamp Sp,8; White-thr Sp,35; White-cr Sp,3; sparrow,sp,7; Red-wg Blackbird,242; E Meadowlark,10; Brn-h Cowbird,76; Am Goldfinch,5; House Sp,6.

Total species: 88; Total individuals: 23,474.

Count Week: Nothing reported.

Compiler: Laurie C. Bailey, 27 Kingsway Drive, Mobile, AL 36608.

GULF SHORES: 03 January, 40 Observers, 138.0 Party-hours, 589.0 Party-miles:

Pacific Loon,1(good details); Com Loon,181; Pied-b Grebe,68; Horned Grebe,65; Eared Grebe, 1 (good details); N Gannet, 7; Wh Pelican, 1; Brn Pelican, 744 (Hi); D-cr Cormorant, 470; Am Bittern, 1; Gt Blue Heron, 153; Gt Egret, 39(Hi); Snowy Egret,3; Ltl Blue Heron,2; Gn Heron,2; Snow Goose,1; Wood Duck,5; Mallard,6 9; Blue-w Teal,2; Am Widgeon,1; Redhead,5; Ring-nk Duck,48; Gt Scaup,26; L Scaup, 1114; scaup, sp. 10; Black Scoter, 6; Bufflehead, 96; Hooded Merganser, 2 1; Red-br Merganser, 90; Ruddy Duck, 22; Black Vulture, 30; Turkey Vulture, 48; Osprey, 12; N Harrier, 22; Sharp-shin Hawk, 12; Cooper's Hawk, 4; Red-shird Hawk,7; Red-t Hawk,47; buteo,1; Am Kestrel,64; Merlin,1; N Bobwhite,17; Clapper Rail, 19; King Rail, 5; Virginia Rail, 3; Sora Rail, 27; Com Moorhen, 2; Am Coot, 163; Sandhill Crane, 11; Black-b Plover, 80; Semipalm Plover, 5; Piping Plover,1; Killdeer,1485; G Yellowlegs,6; yellowlegs,sp,1; Willet,51; Ruddy Turnstone, 11; Sanderling, 148; W Sandpiper, 19; Least Sandpiper, 10; Dunlin, 57; Com Snipe, 12; Am Woodcock, 7; Parasitic Jaeger, 1 (good details); Laughing Gull, 1283; Bonaparte's Gull, 295; Ring-b Gull, 1104; Herring Gull, 68; Caspian Tern,9; Royal Tern,91; Forster's Tern,291; Black Skimmer,6; Rock Dove,57; Eur Col Dove,65; Mourning Dove,652; Grn-Dove,11; E Screech Owl,21; Gt Horned Owl, 10; Barred Owl, 1; Whip-poor-will, 1; hummingbird, sp, 1; B Kingfisher, 38; Red-hd Wdpkr,1; Red-b Wdpkr,68; Y-b Sapsucker,9; Downy Wdpkr,14; Rec-c Wdpkr,3; N(Yel-sh)Flicker,46; Pileated Wdpkr,5; E Phoebe,56; Tree Swallow,110 2; Blue Jay, 201; Am Crow, 79; Fish Crow, 4; crow, sp, 2; Caro Chickadee, 43; Tufted Titmouse, 15; Brn-hd Nuthatch, 19; Brn Creeper, 1; Caro Wren, 70; House Wren,49; Sedge Wren,21; Marsh Wren,58; R-c Kinglet,80; Bl-gr Knatcatcher,20; E Bluebird, 136; Hermit Thrush, 19; Am Robin, 414; Gry Catbird, 32; N Mockingbird,202; Brn Thrasher,29; Am Pipit,608(Hi); Cedar Waxwing,9; L Shrike,66; E Starling, 25000(Hi); White-e Vireo, 3; Blu-hd Vireo, 10; Orange-cr Warbler, 19(Hi); Yel-rp Warbler,6200; Yel-thr Warbler,2; Pine Warbler,78; Palm Warbler,71; Com Yellowthroat, 30; N Cardinal, 131; E Towhee, 83; Chipping Sp, 271; Clay-col Sp,1(good details); Field Sp,53; Vesper Sp,24; Lark Sp,3(Hi)(good details); Savannah Sp(und),917; Grasshopper Sp,2; Henslow's Sp,4(Hi); Le Conte's Sp,1;

(Nel's)Sharp-t Sp,6; Seaside Sp,8; Fox Sp,1; Song Sp,122; Swamp Sp,217; White-thr Sp,205; Red-wg Blackbird,151000(Hi); E Meadowlark,487; Brewer's Blackbird,6; Boat-t Grackle,55; Com Grackle,7000; Brn-h Cowbird,629; blackbird,sp,160; House Finch,77; Am Goldfinch,16; House Sp,28.

Total species: 145; Total individuals: 206,208. Many resident landbird found in poor numbers -- probably due to Hurricane Danny in July 1997; waterfowl low.

Count week: Surf Scoter, Peregrine Falcon, Prairie Warbler(good details). Compiler: Greg D. Jackson, 2220 Baneberry Drive, Birmingham, AL 35244.

GUNTERSVILLE: 26 December, 27 Observers, 72.5 Party-hours, 317.0 Party-miles:

Com Loon, 328; Pied-b Grebe, 947; Horned Grebe, 223; D-cr Cormorant, 1988; Gt Blue Heron, 198; Bl-cr N-Heron, 19; Canada Goose, 132; Wood Duck, 20; Am Black Duck,1; Mallard,305; Pintail,4; N Shoveler,132; Gadwall,14,561; Am Widgeon, 62; Canvasback, 5; Redhead, 5; Ring-nk Duck, 181; Gt Scaup, 84; L Scaup, 2539; Com Goldeneye, 157; Bufflehead, 219; Hooded Merganser, 39; Com Merganser, 1; Red-br Merganser, 31; Ruddy Duck, 188; Black Vulture, 8; Turkey Vulture,4; Bald Eagle,22; N Harrier,9; Sharp-shin Hawk,2; Cooper's Hawk,5; Red-shIrd Hawk,2; Red-t Hawk,38; Am Kestrel,13; Turkey,5; N Bobwhite,20; Am Coot, 29,895; Killdeer, 105; Com Snipe, 4; Bonaparte's Gull, 690; Ring-b Gull, 1878; Herring Gull, 28; Forster's Tern, 1; Rock Dove, 436; Eur Col Dove, 2 (New); Mourning Dove, 252; Bn Owl, 1; E Screech Owl, 1; Gt Horned Owl, 7; Barred Owl.4: B Kingfisher, 36: Red-hd Wdpkr, 8: Red-b Wdpkr, 104: Y-b Sapsucker, 50; Downy Wdpkr, 50; Hairy Wdpkr, 10; N(Yel-shft) Flicker, 47; Pileated Wdpkr,14; E Phoebe,14; Horned Lark,11; Blue Jay,390; Am Crow,308; Caro Chickadee, 155; Tufted Titmouse, 138; Red-b Nuthatch, 6; White-br Nuthatch, 40; Brn-hd Nuthatch, 120; Brn Creeper, 8; Caro Wren, 64; House Wren, 3; Winter Wren, 26; G-c Kinglet, 132; R-c Kinglet, 175; E Bluebird, 217; Hermit Thrush, 44; Am Robin, 12, 783; N Mockingbird, 57; Brn Thrasher, 25; Cedar Waxwing, 322; L Shrike, 16; E Starling, 11,730; Blu-hd Vireo, 1; Yel-rp Warbler, 437; Pine Warbler, 57; N Cardinal, 153; E Towhee, 67; Chipping Sp, 352; Field Sp, 341; Savannah Sp(und),21; Song Sp,209; Lincoln's Sp,1; Swamp Sp,70; White-thr Sp,449; D-e(SI-col)Junco,249; Red-wg Blackbird,1304; E Meadowlark,136; Rusty Blackbird, 50; Com Grackle, 50, 279; Brn-h Cowbird, 390; Purple Finch, 24; House Finch, 127; Pine Siskin, 25; Am Goldfinch, 365; House Sp. 81.

Total species: 104; Total individuals: 138,092.

Count week: Nothing reported.

Compiler: Linda B. Reynolds, 3909 Morrow St., Guntrsville, AL 35976.

MOBILE-TENSAW DELTA: 20 December, 23 Observers, 58.0 Party-hours, 225.75 Party-miles:

Com Loon,1; Pied-b Grebe,279; Horned Grebe,6; Wh Pelican,286; Brn Pelican,44; D-cr Cormorant,280; Am Bittern,1; Gt Blue Heron,68; Gt Egret,215; Snowy Egret,124; Ltl Blue Heron,21; Tricol Heron,25; Bl-cr N-Heron,109; Wh Ibis,331; Glsy Ibis,15; Wood Duck,5; Green-w Teal,169; Mottled Duck,14(Hi); Pintail,1;

Blue-w Teal, 43; N Shoveler, 50; Gadwall, 537; Am Widgeon, 3; Canvasback, 6; Ring-nk Duck, 6; L Scaup, 1300; scaup, sp, 60; Bufflehead, 60; Hooded Merganser, 7; Red-br Merganser, 3; Ruddy Duck, 497(Hi); duck, sp, 300; Black Vulture, 1; Turkey Vulture, 91; Osprey, 15(Hi); Bald Eagle, 3; N Harrier, 15; Sharp-shin Hawk,1; Cooper's Hawk,1; Red-shird Hawk,17; Red-t Hawk,31; buteo,sp,4; Am Kestrel,6; Merlin,1; Peregrine Falcon,3; hawk,sp,5; Turkey,1; Sora Rail,1; Com Moorhen, 15; Am Coot, 33050(Hi); Black-b Plover, 182(Hi); Killdeer, 332; Bl-nk Stilt, 52; Avocet, 419; G Yellowlegs, 34; L Yellowlegs, 17; yelleg, sp, 2; Willet, 4; Sandpiper, 10; Least Sandpiper, 25; Dunlin, 719; peep, sp. 1155; S-b Dowitcher, 50; dowitcher, sp, 60; Com Snipe, 22; Laughing Gull, 162; Bonaparte's Gull,5; Ring-b Gull,473; Herring Gull,57; gull,sp,115 Caspian Tern,17; Royal Tern,6; Forster's Tern,87; Rock Dove,1; Mourning Dove,219; E Screech Owl,4; Barred Owl,1; B Kingfisher,20; Red-hd Wdpkr,42; Y-b Sapsucker,5; Downy Wdpkr,9; N(Yel-shft)Flicker,9; Pileated Wdpkr,18; wdpkr,sp,1; E Phoebe,28; Tree Swallow, 137; Blue Jay, 45; Am Crow, 53; Fish Crow, 59; Caro Chickadee, 15; Tufted Titmouse, 13; Red-b Nuthatch, 1; Brn-hd Nuthatch, 1; Brn Creeper, 1; Caro Wren, 37; House Wren, 7; Marsh Wren, 2; R-c Kinglet, 42; Bl-gr Knatcatcher,4; E Bluebird,39; Hermit Thrush,1; Am Robin,83; Gry Catbird,4; N Mockingbird, 39; Brn Thrasher, 6; Cedar Waxwing, 6; L Shrike, 4; E Starling, 373; Blu-hd Vireo, 7; Orange-cr Warbler, 1; Yel-rp Warbler, 1103; Pine Warbler, 26; Palm Warbler, 1; Com Yellowthroat, 4; N Cardinal, 51; E Towhee, 19; Chipping Sp. 32; Savannah Sp(und),34; Seaside Sp,2; Song Sp,31; Swamp Sp,43; White-thr Sp,67; sparrow,sp,43; Red-wg Blackbird,2641; E Meadowlark,21; Boat-t Grackle, 739; Com Grackle, 111; Brn-h Cowbird, 31; blackbird, sp, 4020; House Finch, 17; Am Goldfinch, 40; House Sp, 3.

Total species: 121; Total individuals: 52,548.

Count week: Nothing reported.

Compiler: Roger Clay, PO Box 7245, Spanish Fort, AL 36577.

MONTGOMERY: 03 January, 16 Observers, 55.5 Party-hours, 247.0 Party-miles:

Pied-b Grebe, 58; D-cr Cormorant, 2043; Gt Blue Heron, 55; Gt Egret, 82; Snow Goose, 1; Canada Goose, 164; Wood Duck, 15; Green-w Teal, 22; Mallard, 46; Blue-w Teal, 20; N Shoveler, 6; Gadwall, 25; Am Widgeon, 23; Ring-nk Duck, 64; L Scaup, 28; Hooded Merganser, 3; Black Vulture, 8; Turkey Vulture, 115; Osprey, 1; N Harrier, 10; Sharp-shin Hawk, 5; Cooper's Hawk, 1; Red-shlrd Hawk, 18; Red-t Hawk, 76; Red-t (Harlan's) Hawk, 1; Am Kestrel, 18; Turkey, 8; N Bobwhite, 10; Am Coot, 147; Sandhill Crane, 1 (New); Killdeer, 478; G Yellowlegs, 9; L Yellowlegs, 1; Least Sandpiper, 1; Com Snipe, 26; Am Woodcock, 4; Ring-b Gull, 856; Herring Gull, 2; Rock Dove, 382; Eur Col Dove, 29; Mourning Dove, 506; Bn Owl, 3; Gt Horned Owl, 2; Barred Owl, 5; B Kingfisher, 24; Red-hd Wdpkr, 2; Red-b Wdpkr, 74; Y-b Sapsucker, 49; Downy Wdpkr, 32; Hairy Wdpkr, 1; N(Yelshft) Flicker, 49; Pileated Wdpkr, 9; E Phoebe, 29; Blue Jay, 128; Am Crow, 200; Fish Crow, 180; Caro Chickadee, 175; Tufted Titmouse, 68; Brn-hd Nuthatch, 20; Brn Creeper, 1; Caro Wren, 124; House Wren, 2; Winter Wren, 1; G-c Kinglet, 2; R-c Kinglet, 99; E Bluebird, 142; Hermit Thrush, 8; Am Robin, 32568; Gry Catbird, 1;

N Mockingbird,131; Brn Thrasher,16; Am Pipit,430; Cedar Waxwing,215(Lo); L Shrike,28; E Starling,14678; Blu-hd Vireo,10; Orange-cr Warbler,2; Yel-rp Warbler,631; Pine Warbler,21; Palm Warbler,2; Com Yellowthroat,5; N Cardinal,208; E Towhee,75; Chipping Sp,73; Field Sp,17; Vesper Sp,9; Savannah Sp(und),279; Fox Sp,5; Song Sp,86; Swamp Sp,24; White-thr Sp,294; sparrow,sp,20; D-e(Sl-col)Junco,87; Red-wg Blackbird,2753; E Meadowlark,204; Rusty Blackbird,14; Brewer's Blackbird,2; Com Grackle,1382; Brn-h Cowbird,572; blackbird,sp,800; Balt Oriole,1; House Finch,117; Am Goldfinch,124; House Sp,160.

Total species: 101; Total individuals: 62,840. Last year, Baltimore Oriole drew a "no." We see one most years

Count week: Nothing reported.

Compiler: Lawrence Gardella, 3549 Audubon Road, Montgomery, AL 36111.

TUSCALOOSA: 27 December, 10 Observers, 25.0 Party-hours, 146.0 Party-miles:

Pied-b Grebe, 7; Gt Blue Heron, 8; Canada Goose, 4; Wood Duck, 54; Mallard, 40; Blue-w Teal,2; Gadwall,9; Ring-nk Duck,91; L Scaup,1; Bufflehead,41; Hooded Merganser, 2; Black Vulture, 9; Turkey Vulture, 20; Bald Eagle, 2; N Harrier, 9; Redshird Hawk,6; Red-t Hawk,14; Am Kestrel,9; Merlin,1(New); Turkey,1; Am Coot, 21; Killdeer, 183; Com Snipe, 18; Rock Dove, 101; Eur Col Dove, 24(New); Mourning Dove, 180; E Screech Owl, 1; Barred Owl, 2; B Kingfisher, 5; Red-hd Wdpkr,9; Red-b Wdpkr,29; Y-b Sapsucker,15; Downy Wdpkr,19; Hairy Wdpkr,2; N(YI-shft)Flicker,14; Pileated Wdpkr,2; E Phoebe,3; Blue Jay,56; Am Crow,244; Fish Crow,3; Caro Chickadee,29; Tufted Titmouse,24; White-br Nuthatch,6; Brnhd Nuthatch,3; Brn Creeper,1; Caro Wren,13; House Wren,1; Winter Wren,1; Gc Kinglet, 5; R-c Kinglet, 20; E Bluebird, 95; Hermit Thrush, 4; Am Robin, 1645; N Mockingbird,44; Brn Thrasher,6; Cedar Waxwing,80; L Shrike,11; E Starling, 3554; Blu-hd Vireo, 1; Orange-cr Warbler, 1; Yel-rp Warbler, 115; Pine Warbler, 31; N Cardinal, 53; E Towhee, 14; Chipping Sp, 102; Field Sp, 4; Vesper Sp,21; Savannah(und)Sp,122; Fox Sp,1; Song Sp,56; Swamp Sp,8; White-thr Sp,165; D-e(Sl-col)Junco,211; Red-wg Blackbird,4601; E Meadowlark,126; Rusty Blackbird, 38; Brewer's Blackbird, 80; Com Grackle, 1189; Brn-h Cowbird, 783; Purple Finch, 15; House Finch, 1; Am Goldfinch, 71; House Sp. 28. Total species: 83: Total individuals: 14,640. The Eastern Screech Owl is the first seen since 1992.

Count week: Nothing reported.

Compiler: John C. Hall, 6 Cherokee Hills, Tuscaloosa, AL 35404.

WATERLOO: 20 December, 19 Observers, 70.0 Party-hours, 274.5 Party-miles: Com Loon, 37(Hi); Pied-b Grebe, 210(Hi); Horned Grebe, 59; D-cr Cormorant, 25; Gt Blue Heron, 87(Lo); Snow Goose, 15(Hi); Canada Goose, 1; Wood Duck, 4; Green-w Teal, 2; Am Black Duck, 21; Mallard, 215; N Shoveler, 5; Gadwall, 302; Canvasback, 6; L Scaup, 316; Com Goldeneye, 29; Bufflehead, 130; Hooded Merganser, 344; Com Merganser, 2; Red-br Merganser, 48; Ruddy Duck, 6(Hi); Turkey Vulture, 11; Bald Eagle, 26(Lo); N Harrier, 7; Sharp-shin Hawk, 3; Cooper's

Hawk,1; accipiter,sp,2; Red-shlrd Hawk,14(Hi); Red-t Kestrel,3(Lo); Turkey,3; N Bobwhite,17; Am Coot,834(Hi); Killdeer,222; Com Snipe, 28; Bonaparte's Gull, 1354; Ring-b Gull, 779; Herring Gull, 15; Forster's Tern, 3; Rock Dove, 5(Lo); Mourning Dove, 216; E Screech Owl, 8; Gt Horned Owl.5: Barred Owl.10: B Kingfisher.23: Red-hd Wdpkr.33: Red-b Wdpkr.91: Y-b Sapsucker, 65(Hi); Downy Wdpkr, 55; Hairy Wdpkr, 6; N(Yel-shft) Flicker, 39; Pileated Wdpkr, 26; E Phoebe, 12; Horned Lark, 37; Blue Jay, 225; Am Crow, 427; Caro Chickadee, 149; Tufted Titmouse, 97; Red-b Nuthatch, 31; White-br Nuthatch.32: Brn Creeper.16: Caro Wren.123: House Wren.1: Winter Wren.22: Marsh Wren, 1(New); G-c Kinglet, 65; R-c Kinglet, 202; E Bluebird, 286; Hermit Thrush, 100(Hi); Am Robin, 2219; N Mockingbird, 49; Brn Thrasher, 23; Am Pipit,3; Cedar Waxwing,521; L Shrike,1(Lo); E Starling,4160(Hi); Blu-hd Vireo,1; Yel-rp Warbler, 516(Hi); Pine Warbler, 53; N Cardinal, 277; E Towhee, 78; Chipping Sp,91; Field Sp,120(Lo); Savannah(und)Sp,143; Fox Sp,9; Song Sp,279; Lincoln's Sp,1; Swamp Sp,84; White-thr Sp,406; White-cr Sp,49; D-e Junco(form),413; Red-wg Blackbird,1483(Hi); E Meadowlark,110; Rusty Blackbird, 177(Hi); Com Grackle, 1314; Brn-h Cowbird, 12; blackbird, sp, 380; Purple Finch, 5; House Finch, 5; Pine Siskin, 17; Am Goldfinch, 132; Evening Grosbeak, 2: House Sp. 63.

Total species: 101; Total individuals: 20,821. This year we set new record highs for an incredible 17 species . . . remarkable after 12 years of counts. we set new record lows for six species. This year's count recorded the most birds per party hour ever.

Count week: Nothing reported.

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WHEELER NWR: 20 December 35 Observers, 102.0 Party-hours, 402.0 Party-miles:

Com Loon, 3; Pied-b Grebe, 231; Horned Grebe, 17; D-cr Cormorant, 11; Gt Blue Heron, 466; Gt Egret, 53; Bl-cr N-Heron, 3; Gt Wh-frt Goose, 38(Hi); Snow Goose,2300; Ross' Goose,1; Canada Goose,2384; Wood Duck,136; Green-w Teal,460; Am Black Duck,1514; Mallard,21000; Pintail,1076; N Shoveler,460; Gadwall, 909; Am Widgeon, 4863; Canvasback, 65; Redhead, 5; Duck, 135; Gt Scaup, 7(Hi); L Scaup, 103; Com Goldeneye, 13; Bufflehead, 84; Hooded Merganser, 375; Red-br Merganser, 35; Ruddy Duck, 304; Bald Eagle, 5; N Harrier, 13; Sharp-shin Hawk, 5; Cooper's Hawk, 6; Red-shird Hawk, 3; Red-t Hawk, 76; Am Kestrel, 25; N Bobwhite, 16; Am Coot, 4075; Sandhill Crane, 26(Hi); Killdeer, 1360; G Yellowlegs, 58; L Yellowlegs, 7; Spotted Sandpiper, 1; Least Sandpiper, 83; Dunlin, 9; Com Snipe, 262; Bonaparte's Gull, 51; Ring-b Gull, 703; Herring Gull,6; Forster's Tern,22; Rock Dove,2232; Eur Col Dove,26; Mourning Dove, 265; E Screech Owl, 15; Gt Horned Owl, 13 Barred Owl, 3 B Kingfisher, 42; Red-hd Wdpkr,36; Red-b Wdpkr,136; Y-b Sapsucker,80; Downy Wdpkr,74; Hairy Wdpkr,12; N(Yel-shft)Flicker,121; Pileated Wdpkr,19; E Phoebe,24; Horned Lark, 209; Blue Jay, 491; Am Crow, 815; Caro Chickadee, 291; Tufted Titmouse, 189; Red-b Nuthatch, 5; White-br Nuthatch, 10; Brn Creeper, 18; Caro

Wren,187; House Wren,12; Winter Wren,41; G-c Kinglet,91; R-c Kinglet,223; E Bluebird,105; Hermit Thrush,89; Am Robin,11921(Hi); Gry Catbird,3(Hi); N Mockingbird,89; Brn Thrasher,81; Am Pipit,229; Cedar Waxwing,1000; L Shrike,11; E Starling,88000; Blu-hd Vireo,1; Orange-cr Warbler,4; Yel Warbler,1(New); Yel-rp Warbler,954(Hi); Pine Warbler,12; Palm Warbler,4; Com Yellowthroat,9; N Cardinal,336; E Towhee,165; Chipping Sp,16; Field Sp,78; Savannah Sp(und),176; Le Conte's Sp,1; Fox Sp,4; Song Sp,443; Lincoln's Sp,1; Swamp Sp,245; White-thr Sp,1012; D-e(Sl-col)Junco,24; Lapland Longspur,37; Red-wg Blackbird,21435; E Meadowlark,106; Rusty Blackbird,680; Brewer's Blackbird,80(Hi); Com Grackle,107267; Brn-h Cowbird,2632; Purple Finch,11; House Finch,92; Pine Siskin,1; Am Goldfinch,185; House Sp,92.

Total species: 118; Total individuals: 56,045. 118 species tied the record set last year. Missed White-crowned sparrow 1st time in 32 years. Had 2nd LeConte's & Lincoln's Sparrows.

Count week: Glossy Ibis, Franklin's Gull.

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