Camano Island
January 25, 2022

It was foggy at home, but surprisingly good visibility and even some mid-afternoon sunshine led to some great birding on Camano Island. Among 75 species, a Merlin enjoying breakfast, ten Surfbirds, two nice groups of Black Turnstones and a raft of several dozen Western Grebes were highlights for the group. Passerines were scarce, but we did find two or three of most of the common species.

75 species (approx. qty.)

Attendees: Phil, Graham, Ken, Reg, Teri, Frank, Jim, Robin, Judy Lo., Carlos, Pam, John, Amy, Rex

CHECKLIST:

WATERFOWL: Snow Goose (75), Cackling Goose (200), Canada Goose (2000, Trumpeter Swan (55), Tundra Swan (1), Gadwall (4), Eurasian Wigeon (1), American Wigeon (50), Mallard (40), Northern Pintail (12), Green-winged Teal (700), Ring-necked Duck (12), Greater Scaup (5), Surf Scoter (22), Bufflehead (18), Common Goldeneye (6), Barrow’s Goldeneye (36), Hooded Merganser (1), Common Merganser (14), Red-breasted Merganser (6)

GALLINACEOUS BIRDS: Wild Turkey (1)

LOONS, GREBES: Red-throated Loon (7), Common Loon (3), Horned Grebe (2), Red-necked Grebe (5), Western Grebe (150)

PELICANS, HERONS, IBIS: Double-crested Cormorant (6), Pelagic Cormorant (2) Great Blue Heron (22)

RAPTORS: Bald Eagle (4), Northern Harrier (3), Sharp-shinned Hawk (1), Cooper’s Hawk (1), Red-tailed Hawk (5), Merlin (1)

RAILS, CRANES: American Coot (1)

SHOREBIRDS: Greater Yellowlegs (4), Black Turnstone (17), Surfbird (10), Sanderling 2)

GULLS, TERNS: Short-billed Gull (250), Ring-billed Gull (2), Glaucous-winged Gull (50)

ALCIDS, JAEGERS: Pigeon Guillemot (6)

DOVES, PIGEONS: Rock Pigeon (32), Eurasian Collared-Dove (4), Mourning Dove (2)

HUMMINGBIRDS: Anna’s Hummingbird (4)

KINGFISHER: Belted Kingfisher (2)
WOODPECKERS: Hairy Woodpecker (1), Northern Flicker (6)

CORVIDS: Steller’s Jay (1), American Crow (4)

CHICKADEES, BUSHTIT: Black-capped Chickadee (2), Chestnut-backed Chickadee (2), Bushtit (1)

NUTHATCHES, CREEPER: Red-breasted Nuthatch (3), Brown Creeper (3)

KINGLETS: Golden-crowned Kinglet (3)

THRUSHES: American Robin (2)

MIMIDS, STARLINGS: European Starling (300)

LONGSPURS, SPARROWS: Spotted Towhee (4), Fox Sparrow (4), Song Sparrow (3), White-crowned Sparrow (3), Dark-eyed Junco (6)

BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES: Red-winged Blackbird (150), Brewer’s Blackbird (75), Brown-headed Cowbird (4)

FINCHES, WEAVER FINCH: House Finch (4), Pine Siskin (20), House Sparrow (3)