Spencer Island
February 22, 2022

Chilly conditions did not deter 15 intrepid birders from birding at Spencer Island, the Everett Sewage Lagoons and the Ebey Waterfront Trail. Teri and Jeff spotted a Tufted Duck x Scaup hybrid in the north sewage lagoon. A Peregrine Falcon (Peale’s), Northern Harriers, and a pair of Long-billed Dowitchers also were seen among the expected ducks, raptors and shorebirds. Alas, no Common Redpolls.

41 species (approx. qty.)

Attendees: Virginia, Jim, Teri, Ken, Dianna, Rick, Rex, Melinda, Val, Reg, Jeff, Sue, Judy Lo., Doug, Karen

CHECKLIST:

WATERFOWL: Canada Goose (15), Gadwall (6), American Wigeon (8), Mallard (115), Northern Shoveler (500), Northern Pintail (300), Green-winged Teal (100), Ring-necked Duck (200), Greater Scaup (2), Lesser Scaup (1000), Tufted Duck x Scaup (1), Bufflehead (4), Common Merganser (2), Ruddy Duck (120).

LOONS, GREBES: Pied-billed Grebe (1)

PELICANS, HERONS, IBIS: Double-crested Cormorant (1), Great Blue Heron (3)

RAPTORS: Bald Eagle (6), Northern Harrier (2), Cooper’s Hawk (1), Red-tailed Hawk (4), Peregrine Falcon (1)

RAILS, CRANES: American Coot (15)

SHOREBIRDS: Killdeer (12), Greater Yellowlegs (7), Dunlin (150), Long-billed Dowitcher (2)

GULLS, TERNS: Short-billed Gull (10), Ring-billed Gull (4), Glaucous-winged Gull (120)

DOVES, PIGEONS: Rock Pigeon (35)

WOODPECKERS: Downy Woodpecker (1), Northern Flicker (1)

CORVIDS: American Crow (3)

CHICKADEES, BUSHTIT: Black-capped Chickadee (2)

WRENS: Bewick’s Wren (2), Marsh Wren (1)

THRUSHES: American Robin (6)
MIMIDS, STARLINGS: European Starling (2)

LONGSPURS, SPARROWS: Song Sparrow (2), Golden-crowned Sparrow (2)

BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES: Red-winged Blackbird (4)