

# Count Summary Report

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<b>Count Name:</b> Parksville-Qualicum Beach	<b>Count Code:</b> BCPQ	<b>Count Date:</b> 12/20/2015
<b>Organizations &amp; Sponsors:</b> Arrowsmith Naturalists	<b># of Party Hours:</b> 101.75	<b>Species reported on count date:</b> 115

## Compiler(s)

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James	Goodwin	good_one@telusplanet.net	No
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## Start & End Times

Start time	End time
07:45 AM	05:00 PM

## Effort

Observers	
In Field	Total Number: 55
	Minimum Number of Parties (daylight): 10
	Maximum Number of Parties (daylight): 11
At Feeders	Total Number: 45

Party Hours and Distance (excludes viewing at feeders and nocturnal birding)			
By	Hours	Distance	Units
Foot	69.50	77.75	Kilometers
Car	32.25	504.50	Kilometers
Air			
All-Terrain Vehicle			
Bicycle			
Dog Sled			
Golfcart			
Horseback			
Motorized Boat			
Non-Motorized Boat			
Skis/Xc-Skis			
Snowmachine			
Snowshoe			
Wheelchair			

Other Time and Distance			
	Hours	Distance	Units

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At Feeders	96.00		
Nocturnal Birding	6.50	43.00	Kilometers
Total Party	101.75	582.25	Kilometers

## Weather

Weather Summary			
Temperature	Minimum: 2.0 Celsius	Maximum: 7.0 Celsius	
Wind Direction	Southeast		
Wind Velocity	Minimum: 0.00 Kilometers/hour	Maximum: 15.00 Kilometers/hour	
Snow Depth	Minimum: 0.00 Centimeters	Maximum: 0.00 Centimeters	
Still Water	Partly Frozen		
Moving Water	Open		
AM and PM Conditions			
Cloud Cover	AM: Partly Cloudy	PM: Partly Cloudy	
AM Rain	Light, None		
AM Snow	None		
PM Rain	Light, None		
PM Snow	None		

## Checklist

Species	Number or cw	Flags	Max Number	# Of Counts	Editor Comm.
Greater White-fronted Goose	2		22/110	14	
Snow Goose	2		4/114	10	
Brant	16		123/115	21	
Cackling Goose	8		13/107	12	
Canada Goose	2053	HC,	2053/116	25	
Trumpeter Swan	553		860/113	25	
Gadwall	12		20/110	18	
Eurasian Wigeon	13		49/92	25	
American Wigeon	2831	HC,	2831/116	25	
Mallard	2358		3174/102	25	
Northern Shoveler	cw		33/103	21	
Northern Pintail	187		234/112	25	
Green-winged Teal (American)	58		460/99	25	
Canvasback	cw		5/100	7	
Ring-necked Duck	109		203/111	24	
Greater Scaup	106		1040/106	25	

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Lesser Scaup	96		284/98	22	
Harlequin Duck	68		213/103	25	
Surf Scoter	624		2175/108	25	
White-winged Scoter	198		935/107	25	
Black Scoter	333		719/101	25	
Long-tailed Duck	22		168/115	25	
Bufflehead	744		886/105	25	
Common Goldeneye	354		453/103	25	
Barrow's Goldeneye	144	HC,	144/116	25	
Hooded Merganser	53	HC,	53/116	25	
Common Merganser	165		402/115	25	
Red-breasted Merganser	60		503/92	25	
California Quail	117		173/103	25	
Red-throated Loon	1		4/99	15	
Pacific Loon	1836		3568/113	25	
Common Loon	99		242/92	25	
Yellow-billed Loon	cw		1/111	6	
Pied-billed Grebe	1		4/108	8	
Horned Grebe	272	HC,	272/116	25	
Red-necked Grebe	313	HC,	313/116	25	
Western Grebe	89		1245/92	25	
Brandt's Cormorant	3		75/110	23	
Double-crested Cormorant	48		249/110	25	
Pelagic Cormorant	19		62/110	25	
Great Blue Heron (Blue form)	56	HC,	56/116	25	
Northern Harrier	cw		2/107	11	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	3		9/112	24	
Cooper's Hawk	18	HC,	18/116	23	
Bald Eagle	311		645/96	25	
Red-tailed Hawk	9		19/105	24	
Virginia Rail	1		1/116	5	
Black Oystercatcher	23		84/112	24	
Black-bellied Plover	287		296/106	25	
Killdeer	49		147/99	24	
Black Turnstone	135		252/105	25	
Sanderling	1		94/100	17	
Dunlin	470		1738/106	25	
Common Murre	100		754/112	18	
Marbled Murrelet	10		26/107	20	

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Ancient Murrelet	8		504/112	11	
Rhinoceros Auklet	cw		12/112	11	
Mew Gull	993		2857/107	25	
Ring-billed Gull	1		22/92	22	
Western Gull	2		11/100	18	
California Gull	22		1007/103	22	
Herring Gull	7		176/98	23	
Thayer's Gull	262		2117/115	25	
Glaucous-winged Gull	1328		5630/99	25	
Glaucous Gull	cw		3/97	8	
gull sp.	576		5300/101	18	
Rock Pigeon (Feral Pigeon)	30		248/104	25	
Eurasian Collared-Dove	72		89/113	7	
Mourning Dove	1		4/114	3	
Great Horned Owl	12	HC,	12/116	17	
Barred Owl	1		6/110	16	
Northern Saw-whet Owl	2		4/107	9	
Anna's Hummingbird	115	HC,	115/116	12	
Belted Kingfisher	20	HC,	20/116	25	
Red-breasted Sapsucker	4		10/109	22	
Downy Woodpecker	23		33/107	25	
Hairy Woodpecker	11		25/111	24	
Northern Flicker	204		215/111	17	
Pileated Woodpecker	32		38/107	25	
American Kestrel	2	HC,	2/116	11	
Merlin	9	HC,	9/116	24	
Peregrine Falcon	3	HC,	3/116	15	
Northern Shrike	3		5/111	20	
Hutton's Vireo	3		5/110	17	
Steller's Jay	279	HC,	279/116	25	
Northwestern Crow	1057		2091/111	25	
Common Raven	265		509/112	25	
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	470		740/111	25	
Bushtit	93		168/111	25	
Red-breasted Nuthatch	84		130/106	24	
Brown Creeper	9		41/110	25	
Pacific Wren	42		78/111	6	
Marsh Wren	1		3/114	13	
Bewick's Wren	18		39/111	25	

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American Dipper	4		9/113	23	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	139		526/107	25	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	37		84/106	25	
Hermit Thrush	1		8/111	13	
American Robin	182		972/109	25	
Varied Thrush	120		236/111	25	
European Starling	2203		2520/103	25	
Orange-crowned Warbler	1		1/116	4	
Yellow-rumped Warbler (Myrtle)	2		4/115	5	
Townsend's Warbler	1		5/111	13	
Fox Sparrow	80		100/107	25	
Dark-eyed Junco (Oregon)	1712		2251/110	25	
White-crowned Sparrow	115	HC,	115/116	25	
Golden-crowned Sparrow	154		233/106	25	
Savannah Sparrow	4		8/110	8	
Song Sparrow	178		198/107	25	
Lincoln's Sparrow	2		4/105	8	
Spotted Towhee	301		306/111	25	
Red-winged Blackbird	223		715/102	25	
Western Meadowlark	4		8/92	14	
Brewer's Blackbird	561		1407/111	25	
House Finch	191		362/104	25	
Purple Finch	76		353/108	24	
Red Crossbill	189		247/110	20	
Pine Siskin	1930		10420/104	25	
American Goldfinch	32		56/106	12	
Evening Grosbeak	3		82/113	16	
House Sparrow	43		118/114	24	
Total Individuals	29992				
Total Species Reported	115				

cw = Reported count week  
 US = Flagged as an unusual species  
 HC = Flagged as an unusually high count  
 LC = Flagged as an unusually low count

## Species Requiring Rare Bird Reports to be Submitted to Regional Editor

Species

### Special Aspects

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For our 25th BCPQ we got a welcome result of 104 volunteers. Our 55 field participants (highest over 25years), plus 36 Feedercount checklists that reflected 47 Feedercounters (2 also did a part day in the field), plus a crew of 4 who set up for our Post Count Potluck. Heavy rains early in December left many inland agricultural fields flooded for several weeks and attracted a good assortment of waterfowl and shorebirds. We had rain overnight, some ice over inland waters and mostly sunny skies with some cloud. Birders were happy with 16 high species counts and 6 count week species. 5 geese species were seen. Brant have been here since late November, arriving earlier now than in the past. Canada Goose numbers continue to climb. Large numbers of Pacific Loons and many divers were moving about on Georgia Strait way out in deep water, difficult to count and ID. This activity continues into January as they are joined by gulls and all wait for the herring to show. There were several sightings of one or more Yellow-billed Loons during count week. One Red-throated Loon is a rarity. Two Canvasback were reported before and after Count Day. Our sunny skies resulted in many raptor sightings, more than usual. Overall gull numbers of 3191 was low. 115 Anna's Hummingbirds were seen but missed at numerous other known locations, I suspect their numbers are far greater than tallied. 4 warblers were seen but others were missed at several known locations. Of note this year: we had a total of 4 youth on teams in the field, one team of 3 youth with 3 parents, another team of 4 family members including 1 youth. Compiler, Sandra Gray.