

Riverside Nature Center Weekly Fauna Census 3/19/2010

Typical transition day - a migrant and some lingers. The American Robin seen last week (assuming it's the same one) was singing which leads me to still believe it might be a resident bird. Along the creek a Ruby-crowned Kinglet was warming up with its lively song. Per Roger Tory Peterson: 3 to 4 high notes, followed by several low notes and a chant:

" tee, tee, tee, tew, tew, tew, ti-dadee, ti-dadee, ti-dadee, ti-dadee..."

A Bluebonnet was blooming in the meadow and early signs of a good wildflower breakout will bring us butterflies I hope. I am seeing lots of leps on the ranch here in Center Point with the Agarita and Wind-Flowers providing nectar.

Cynthia Johnson
Tom Collins

* = New Species
FOS - First Of Season

Location: Kerrville- Riverside Nature Ctr. (HOTW 073)
Observation date: 3/19/10
Notes: temp 57 Sky - 1 Wind - 2
Number of species: 22

Double-crested Cormorant	3
Black Vulture	3
Turkey Vulture	3
White-winged Dove	8
Mourning Dove	2
Downy Woodpecker	1
Eastern Phoebe	1
White-eyed Vireo	2
Blue Jay	1
Carolina Chickadee	3
Carolina Wren	3
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2
American Robin	1
Northern Mockingbird	1
Cedar Waxwing	125
Yellow-rumped Warbler	2
Chipping Sparrow	50
Northern Cardinal	5
Great-tailed Grackle	3
House Finch	2
Lesser Goldfinch	8
American Goldfinch	4

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Kingdom - Phylum - Class - Order - Family - Genus - Species

Kingdom: Metazoa (Animals)

Phylum: Arthropoda (Exoskeleton - 9 Classes)

Class Insecta (Insects)

Order: Lepidoptera (Butterfly, Moth) None

Order: Odonata (Dragonfly, Damselfly) None

Order: Coleoptera (Beetles) None

Order: Hemiptera (True Bugs) None

Order: Hymenoptera (Ant, Wasp, Bee)

Family Formicidae (Ant)

Pogonomyrmex barbatus Red

Harvester Ant Mound is active

Order: Diptera (Flies) None

Class Arachnida (Spiders, Ticks, Scorpions, Mites,
Harvestmen) None

Phylum: Chordata (Vertebrata - 14 Classes)

Class: Osteichthyes (Bony fish) None

Herps:

Class: Reptilia (Snake, Lizard, Turtle, Alligator)

None

Class: Amphibia (Frog, Toad, Salamander) None

Class: Aves (Bird - See above eBird report)

Class: Mammalia:

Edward's Plateau Fox Squirrel - 1

Where are the deer??????

Phylum: Mollusca (10 classes - Gastropod, Bivalve, etc) None

Kingdom: Myceteae (Fungi) None