

Riverside Nature Center Weekly Fauna Census 1/14/2011

I want to welcome Carolyn Bean to our census team. Carolyn is birder and working on her HCMN certification. She must be dedicated to join us on a 37 degree day that was wet with continuous drizzle.

Perhaps Carolyn brought us some good luck today as we added a new bird species to the RNC list (136th species) – male Green-winged Teal. This is a very unusual place for a Green-winged Teal to show up as they prefer marsh areas where they feed - dabbler. I would guess that this bird is either sick or injured. It will fly a 25- 50 feet and land. It is very wary and aware of my presence while I was taking multiple photos (see one below), but appears unable or willing to fly a long distance. As the creek is deep, it will be mostly unable to get food as it does not dive, but feeds from the surface on vegetation.

Carolyn Bean
Cynthia Johnson
Tom Collins

* = New Species

FOS – First Of Season

Location: Kerrville- Riverside Nature Ctr. (HOTW 073)

Observation date: 1/14/11

Notes: Temp - 37 deg, s-4, w-0 - continuous drizzle during the census.

A male green-winged Teal (new RNC bird species) was in Town Creek and when approached it would fly a short distance. This bird is either sick or hurt as it is very wary, but appears to be unable to fly any long distance. Several pictures were taken.

Number of species: 18

*Green-winged Teal 1

Pied-billed Grebe 1
White-winged Dove 2
Mourning Dove 5
Eastern Phoebe 2
Blue Jay 4
Carolina Chickadee 3
Black-crested Titmouse 4
Carolina Wren 4
Ruby-crowned Kinglet 1
Hermit Thrush 1
Northern Mockingbird 2
Yellow-rumped Warbler 5
Northern Cardinal 14
House Finch 6
Lesser Goldfinch 1
American Goldfinch 2
House Sparrow 25

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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

Family Apidae (Cuckoo, Carpenter, Digger, Bumble, and Honey Bees)

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

[EP Fox Squirrel](#) - 3

[White-tailed Deer](#) – 8, [one 8 point buck](#)

Phylum: Mollusca (10 classes – Gastropod, Bivalve, etc) [None](#)

Kingdom: Myceteae (Fungi) [None](#)

