Monthly Summary: January 2017



January 17th – Ellis Bird Farm Say's Phoebe



January 22nd
Calgary
Laurie Rutter
Ferruginous
Hawk

Monthly Summary: February 2017

February 19th
Calgary
Diane Ramsay
Western Screech
Owl



Monthly Summary: March 2017





Monthly Summary: April 2017



April 6th – Waterton National Park – Leah Elford





April 11th – Veteran – Azusa Wilson

Alberta Common Crane Records

Accepted

- Dec. 11-20, 1957 (Cavendish Photo)
- Mar. 20, 1958 (Stirling Lake Photo)
- Sept. 19, 1958 (Athabasca) ref: Salt, W.R. and J.R. Salt.
 1976. The Birds of Alberta. Hurtig Publishers, Edmonton,
 AB. 498 pp.
- Oct. 6, 2012 (Deadhorse Lake, near Hussar Photos) ref: Hudon et al. 2014. Eleventh report of the Alberta Bird Record Committee. Nature Alberta 43(4): 38-41.

No Details

 1998 North American Birds reported Common Crane in Alberta

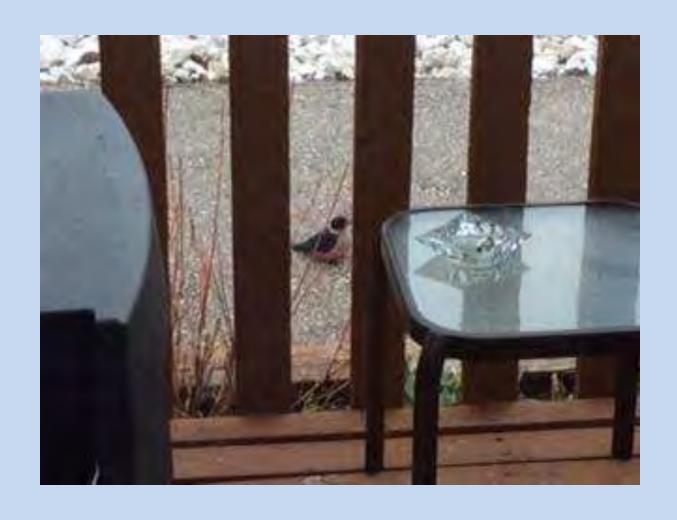


April 22nd – Wainwright – Charlene Hadfield

Monthly Summary: May 2017







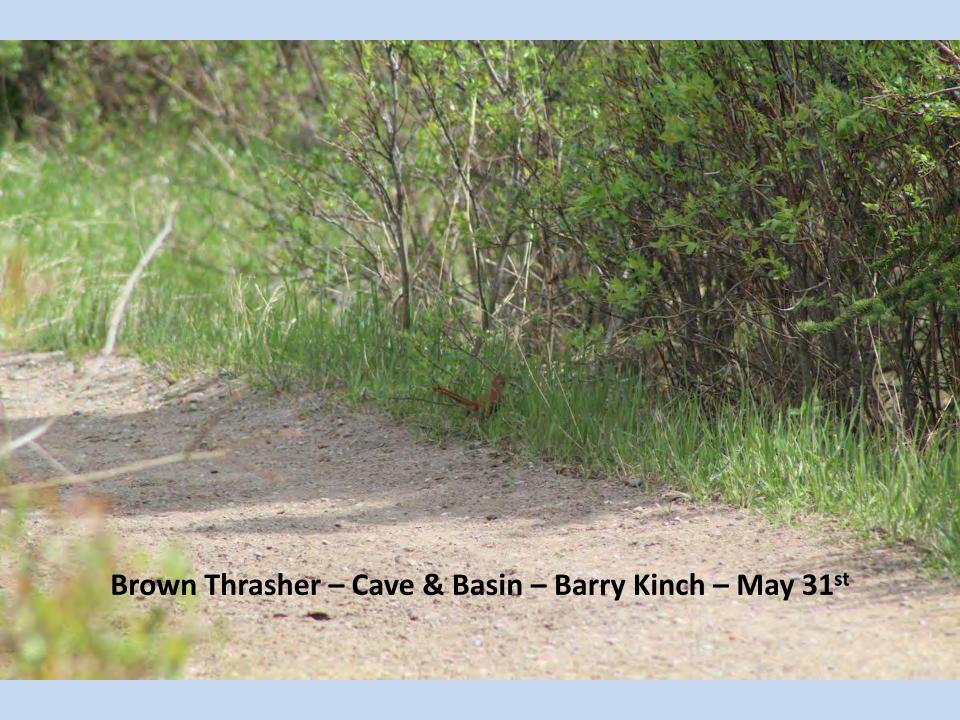
Lewis's Woodpecker – Saskatchewan River Crossing Laura Brittany – May 12th







Northern Mockingbird - Cessford - Yousif Attia - May 29th



May – No Photos

White-winged Dove – Calgary – John Shelford

Vaux's Swifts – Waterton NP – Kate Steele & Ken Pepper

Great Egret – Medicine Hat – Connor Charchuk

Lewis Woodpecker – Snaring Road Jasper NP – Jason Rogers

Northern Mockingbird – Medicine Hat – Connor Charchuk

Sabine's Gull (150) – Buffalo Lake – Bruce MacTavish

Northern Mockingbird – St. Albert – Andy Ross

Lewis's Woodpecker – Medicine Lake Jasper NP – Wed Bradford

Monthly Summary: June 2017



Bullock's Oriole – Canmore – Ethan Denton – June 4th



Red-headed Woodpecker – Eagle Lake – Shirley Otway – June 10th







Monthly Summary: July 2017







Arctic Tern – Hussar – Ron Kube – July 9th







Red-headed Woodpecker – Lake Louise Anne Elkins – July 26th





Monthly Summary: August 2017



Red-headed Woodpecker – Cochrane Maureen Hills-Urbat – August 5-10



Red Phalarope – Irricana – Caroline Lambert – August 10th



August – No Photos

Scarlet Tanager – Beaver Mines – Peter Sherrington & Pat Lucas



Monthly Summary: September 2017



Great Egret – Fox Lake (Hanna) – Thomas Bonny – September 1st



Brant – Tofield
Found by Lu Carbyn + Eddie Lim-mah – photo by Ted McKen
September 3rd





Aberrant Plumage & Hybrids

Leucistic Trumpeter Swan



October 22nd, 2016 – Eagle Lake – Andrew Hart



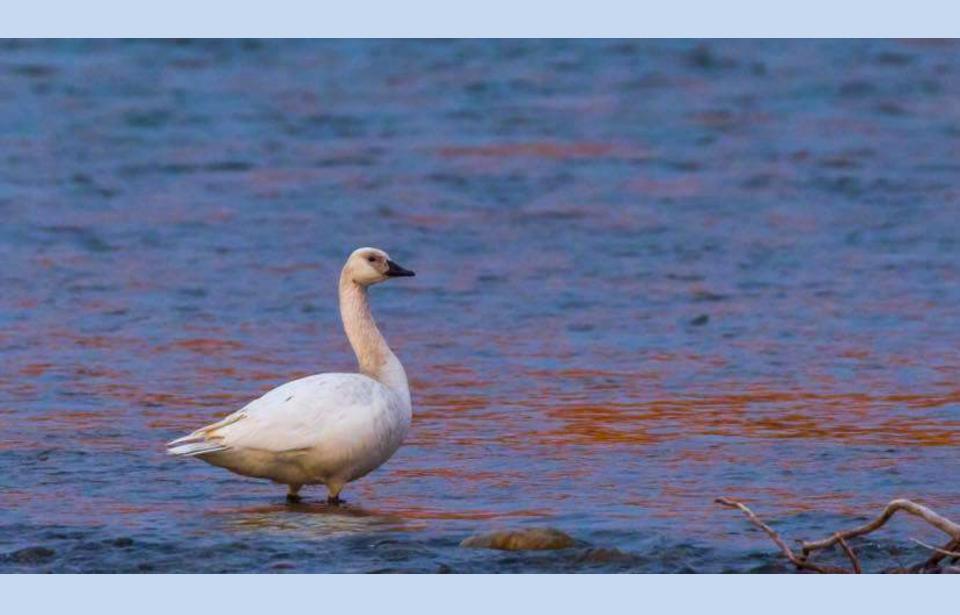
Cackling x Greater White-fronted Hybrid







April 29th, 2017 – Olds – Alicia French



May 6th, 2017– Ron Chiasson





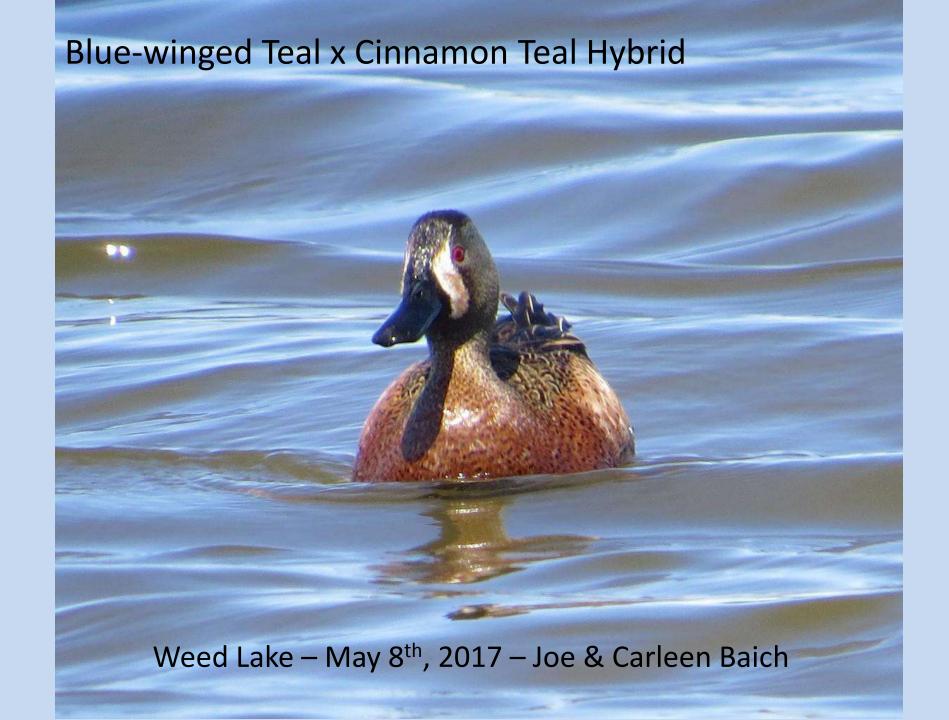


July 3rd, 2016 – Red Deer – Judy Boyd



Calgary – April 30th, 2017 – Anthony Vanderheyden





Blue-winged Teal x Cinnamon Teal Hybrid





April 4th, 2016 – Bridlewood Wetlands – Tammie McGovern



Leucistic Red-tailed Hawk



Leduc – August 26th, 2016 – Harry Colquhon

Leucistic Red-tailed Hawk

Leduc Spring & Summer 2017 Vangi Simpson





Leucistic Red-tailed Hawk



April 10th, 2017 – Martha Wilso

Seen again in September





Cheadle – May 6th. 2017 – Joe & Carleen Baich



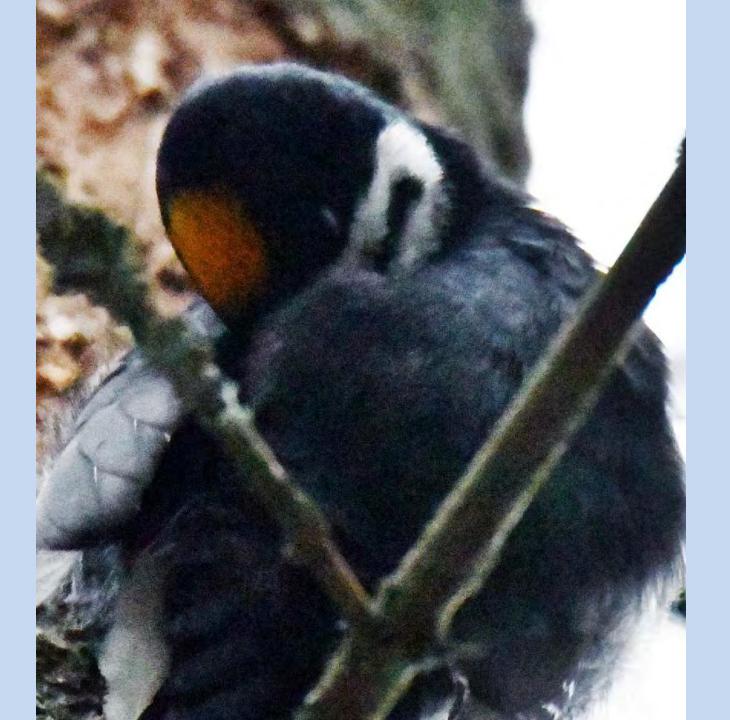
April 5th, 2017– Calgary – Andrew Hart



Black-backed Woodpecker Rare color variant

December 5th, 2016 Edmonton Wayne Oakes









January 12th, 2017 – Sherwood Park – Shelley Koch





Found by Howard Heffler on June 20th, 2017 - photo by Ed Matuod

October 14th, 2016 - Calgary - Dawson Lu





September 5th, 2016– Sherwood Park – Ben MacIsaac

April 20th, 2017 – Sherwood Park – Denise van Rootselaar





Edmonton – June 20th, 2017 – Julie Wolfgang



Janine Nyitrai – July 17th, 2017



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Hypo-eumelanistic Boreal Chickadee





"Bob" – ongoing – Calgary – Helen Maguire



July 25th, 2017 – Jasper NP – Carl Lundblad



Hybrid – Golden-crowned x White-crowned Sparrow



How to report rare birds?

 Email NAB Compiler James Fox fox.james.ed@gmail.com

How do we know if a bird is rare?

- There is a list of reportable birds of Alberta.
- The Alberta Bird Records Committee maintains a list of reportable birds at:
- http://www.royalalbertamuseum.ca/ includes/docs/re search/lifeSciences/ornithology/ABRCreviewlist.pdf
- Alberta Bird Record Committee is soliciting documentation on all occurrences in Alberta of the following species or species never recorded in the province before.
- Please send documentation to Jocelyn Hudon, Royal Alberta Museum, jocelyn.hudon@gov.ab.ca

High Priority Birds

(documented fewer than 8 times)

	Arctic Loon Fulvous Whistling Duck Brant Garganey Tufted Duck King Eider Common Eider Smew Rock Ptarmigan Little Blue Heron Tricolored Heron Yellow-crowned Night Heron Black Vulture Common Gallinule Common Crane	•	Surfbird Curlew Sandpiper Red-necked Stint Purple Sandpiper Least Stint American Woodcock Pomarine Jaegar Black Guillemot Long-billed Murrelet Ancient Murrelet Ivory Gull Black-headed Gull Slaty-backed Gull Great Black-backed Gull Least Tern		Black-chinned Hummingbird Costa's Hummingbird Acorn Woodpecker Red-bellied Woodpecker Williamson's Sapsucker Red-breasted Sapscuker Gray Flycatcher Fork-tailed Flycatcher White-eyed Vireo Yellow-throated Vireo Pinyon Jay Carolina Wren Blue-gray Gnatcatcher Northern Wheatear		Prothonotary Warbler Kentucky Warbler Hooded Warbler Northern Parula Yellow-throated Warbler Black-throated Gray Warbler Hermit Warbler Green-tailed Towhee Eastern TowheeCassin's Sparrow Field Sparrow Black-throated Sparrow Summer Tanager
•	Yellow-crowned Night Heron Black Vulture Common Gallinule	•	Black-headed Gull Slaty-backed Gull Great Black-backed Gull	•	Yellow-throated Vireo Pinyon Jay Carolina Wren Blue-gray Gnatcatcher Northern Wheatear Wood Thrush Curve-billed Thrasher	•	Sparrow Field Sparrow Black-throated Sparrow
•	Wandering Tattler Spotted Redshank Eskimo Curlew	•	Western Screech-Owl Eastern Screech-Owl White-throated Swift	•	Bendire's Thrasher Siberian Accentor Golden-winged	•	Brambling

Warbler

Blue-winged Warbler

Green Violetear

Eskimo Curlew

Black Turnstone

Medium Priority Birds

(fewer than 15 occasions but known to occur on a more frequent basis)

- Snowy Egret
- Cattle Egret
- Green Heron
- Ruff
- Sharp-tailed Sandpiper
- Long-tailed Jaegar
- Black-legged Kittiwake
- Little Gull
- Barn Owl
- Vaux's Swift

- Anna's Hummingbird
- Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
- Chestnut-backed Chickadee
- Western Bluebird
- Pine Warbler
- Scarlet Tanager

Low Priority Birds

(fewer than 25 occasions, which rarely ever get documented but should)

- Black Scoter
- Yellow-billed Loon
- Red Phalarope
- Iceland Gull
- Glaucous-winged Gull
- Band-tailed Pigeon
- Lewis's Woodpecker
- Red-headed Woodpecker

RECORD FORM FOR UNUSUAL BIRD SIGHTINGS

SPECIES:								
DATE:	NUMBER:	AGE/SEX						
LOCATION OF SIGHTING:								
TIME: LENGTH HABITAT:	OF TIME OBSERVE	ED:						
BEHAVIOR OF BIRD:								
OBSERVER(s):								
DISTANCE TO BIRD: OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED;								
WHO FIRST SAW BIRD? WHO FIRST IDENTIFIED BIRD?								
WEATHER AND LIGHTING CONDITIONS?								
WAS THE BIRD PHOTOGRAPHED?	VOICE/C	ALLNOTES?						
COMPARISON SPECIES PRESENT?								
EXPERIENCE WITH SPECIES?								
WAS A FIELD GUIDE USED WHILE THE BIRD WAS UNDER OBSERVATION?								
IF SO, HOW DO YOU THINK IT MIGHT HAVE INFLUENCED YOUR DECISION?								
ARE YOU 100 % CERT AIN OF THE I HOW WERE SIMILAR SPECIES ELI	DENTIFICATION? MINATED							
NAME AND ADDRESS OF OBSERVE	R(s):							

Rare Bird Form

Thank you