



THE WILLIAMSBURG FLIER
June, 1979

As announced at bird club and in previous newsletters, there will be no meetings during June, July, and August. On Saturday, June 16, there will be a field trip to Hog Island. Please assemble in the Information Center parking lot by 7:00 A.M.

We were all saddened to learn of the sudden and untimely death of Roy Trow. Roy provided many valuable services to the Williamsburg community, but we probably knew him best for his work with purple martins. Please be thinking of a suitable memorial that we as a bird club could donate to the community as a token of our appreciation for Roy and his contributions to our club.

WILLIAMSBURG SPRING COUNT MAY 6, 1979

Double crested Cormorant.....	18	Semipalmated Sandpiper	10
Great Blue Heron	87	Least Sandpiper	8
Green Heron	23	White-rumped Sandpiper	?
Great Egret	6	Pectoral Sandpiper	1
Snowy Egret	2	Great Black-backed Gull	1
Canada Goose	55	Herring Gull	258
Mallard	44	Ring-billed Gull	336
Green-wing Teal	2	Laughing Gull	89
Wood Duck	77	Common Tern	1
Lesser Scaup	2	Royal Tern	4
Ruddy Duck	51	Caspian Tern	67
Hooded Merganser	1	Rock Dove	65
Red-breasted Merganser	1	Mourning Dove	201
Turkey Vulture	29	Yellow-billed Cuckoo	40
Black Vulture	5	Screech Owl	6
Sharp-shinned Hawk	2	Great Horned Owl	4
Red-tailed Hawk	7	Barred Owl	13
Red-shouldered Hawk	2	Chuck Will's Widow	3
Osprey	16	Whip-Poor-Will	8
Kestrel	3	Chimney Swift	89
Bobwhite	110	Ruby-throated Hummingbird	4
Ring-necked Pheasant	26	Belted Kingfisher	5
Turkey	3	Common Flicker	45
Clapper Rail	4	Pileated Woodpecker	22
Coot	26	Red-bellied Woodpecker	73
Semipalmated Plover	5	Red-headed Woodpecker	8
Kildeer	24	Hairy Woodpecker	3
Black-bellied Plover	1	Downy Woodpecker	15
Greater Yellowlegs	23	Eastern Kingbird	58
Lesser Yellowlegs	16	Great Crested Flycatcher	88
Solitary Sandpiper	17	Eastern Phoebe	16
Spotted Sandpiper	25	Acadian Flycatcher	23
Woodcock	5	Eastern Wood Pewee	22

Tree Swallow	53	Blackpoll Warbler	63
Bank Swallow	2	Pine Warbler	54
Rough-winged Swallow	17	Prairie Warbler	35
Barn Swallow	412	Ovenbird	81
Purple Martin	222	Northern Waterthrush	1
Blue Jay	87	Louisiana Waterthrush	9
Common Crow	158	Kentucky Warbler	15
Fish Crow	55	Yellowthroat	122
Carolina Chickadee	97	Yellow-breasted Chat	34
Tufted Titmouse	83	Hooded Warbler	11
White-breasted Nuthatch	7	American Redstart	50
Brown-headed Nuthatch	3	House Sparrow	85
Brown Creeper	1	Bobolink	132
House Wren	3	Eastern Meadowlark	51
Carolina Wren	54	Red-winged Blackbird	416
Long-billed Marsh Wren	4	Orchard Oriole	26
Mockingbird	108	Northern Oriole	3
Catbird	99	Boat-tailed Grackle	8
Brown Thrasher	26	Common Grackle	158
Robin	107	Brown-headed Cowbird	49
Wood Thrush	112	Scarlet Tanager	30
Bluebird	177	Summer Tanager	59
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	70	Cardinal	160
Cedar Waxwing	399	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	4
Starling	344	Blue Grosbeak	15
White-eyed Vireo	52	Indigo Bunting	68
Yellow-throated Vireo	8	Evening Grosbeak	5
Red-eyed Vireo	259	House Finch	1
Black and White Warbler	28	American Goldfinch	58
Prothonotary Warbler	7	Rufous-sided Towhee	81
Blue-winged Warbler	1	Savannah Sparrow	15
Tennessee Warbler	1	Grasshopper Sparrow	4
Nashville Warbler	1	Chipping Sparrow	39
Parula Warbler	46	Field Sparrow	32
Yellow-rumped Warbler	66	White-throated Sparrow	29
Blackburnian Warbler	1	Swamp Sparrow	8
Yellow-throated Warbler	29	Song Sparrow	72

Last month's field trip to Grandview was a wonderful experience both bird-wise and weather wise. Some 58 species of birds were seen, including least bitterns, common gallinules, clapper rails, seaside sparrows, and nesting least terns and piping plovers.

Dorothy Mitchell is leading bird walks in Newport News City Park the first and third Sundays during the summer months. These walks begin at 7:00 A.M.

Are you keeping nest records and bird sightings for Bill Sheehan? If you're not, you'd better have a good excuse ready for Bill when we meet again in Sept. In next month's newsletter we'll be looking at a unique way one of our club members has found to keep records and entertain Bill at the same time.

GOOD BIRDING!!