



NORTH DAKOTA BIRDING SOCIETY - Checklist of the Birds of North Dakota - 417 Species

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Date _____ Time _____ Locality _____ Sky _____ Wind _____ Temp _____

Observers _____ Total Species _____ Total Individuals _____

An * preceding the species name indicates a review list species and a documentation is requested. (N) indicates a nesting species.

Ducks, Geese, Swans	___ Gray Partridge (N)	___ American Golden-Plover	___ *Ross's Gull	___ Turkey Vulture (N)	___ Peregrine Falcon (N)
___ *Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	___ Ring-necked Pheasant (N)	___ Killdeer (N)	___ *Laughing Gull	Ospreys	___ Prairie Falcon (N)
___ *Fulvous Whistling-Duck	Grebes	___ Semipalmated Plover	___ Franklin's Gull (N)	___ Osprey (N)	Flycatchers
___ Snow Goose (N)	___ Pied-billed Grebe (N)	___ Piping Plover (N)	___ *Short-billed Gull	Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies	___ *Western Flycatcher
___ Ross's Goose	___ Horned Grebe (N)	___ *Mountain Plover	___ Ring-billed Gull (N)	___ *White-tailed Kite	___ *Gray Flycatcher
___ Greater White-fronted Goose	___ Red-necked Grebe (N)	___ *Snowy Plover	___ California Gull (N)	___ *Swallow-tailed Kite	___ *White-crested Elaenia
___ *Brant	___ Eared Grebe (N)	Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and	___ Herring Gull (N)	___ Golden Eagle (N)	___ Great Crested Flycatcher (N)
___ Cackling Goose	___ Western Grebe (N)	Allies	___ Iceland Gull	___ Northern Harrier (N)	___ *Cassin's Kingbird
___ Canada Goose (N)	___ *Clark's Grebe (N)	___ Upland Sandpiper (N)	___ Lesser Black-backed Gull	___ Sharp-shinned Hawk (N)	___ *Thick-billed Kingbird
___ Trumpeter Swan (N)	Pigeons, Doves	___ Whimbrel	___ *Glaucous-winged Gull	___ Cooper's Hawk (N)	___ Western Kingbird (N)
___ Tundra Swan	___ Rock Pigeon (N)	___ *Eskimo Curlew	___ Glaucous Gull	___ Northern Goshawk	___ Eastern Kingbird (N)
___ Wood Duck (N)	___ *Band-tailed Pigeon	___ Long-billed Curlew (N)	___ *Great Black-backed Gull	___ Bald Eagle (N)	___ *Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
___ *Garganey	___ Eurasian Collared-Dove (N)	___ Hudsonian Godwit	___ Least Tern (N)	___ *Red-shouldered Hawk	___ Olive-sided Flycatcher
___ Blue-winged Teal (N)	___ Passenger Pigeon (E)	___ Marbled Godwit (N)	___ Caspian Tern (N)	___ Broad-winged Hawk (N)	___ Western Wood-Pewee (N)
___ Cinnamon Teal (N)	___ *Inca Dove	___ Ruddy Turnstone	___ Black Tern (N)	___ Swainson's Hawk (N)	___ Eastern Wood-Pewee (N)
___ Northern Shoveler (N)	___ *White-winged Dove	___ Red Knot	___ Common Tern (N)	___ Red-tailed Hawk (N)	___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
___ Gadwall (N)	___ Mourning Dove (N)	___ *Ruff	___ *Arctic Tern	___ Rough-legged Hawk	___ Alder Flycatcher (N)
___ *Eurasian Wigeon	Cuckoos, Roadrunners, Anis	___ *Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	___ Forster's Tern (N)	___ Ferruginous Hawk (N)	___ Willow Flycatcher (N)
___ American Wigeon (N)	___ *Groove-billed Ani	___ Stilt Sandpiper	Loons	Barn Owls	___ Least Flycatcher (N)
___ Mallard (N)	___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo (N)	___ *Curlew Sandpiper	___ *Red-throated Loon	___ *Barn Owl (N)	___ *Hammond's Flycatcher
___ American Black Duck (N)	___ Black-billed Cuckoo (N)	___ Sanderling	___ *Pacific Loon	Typical Owls	___ Eastern Phoebe (N)
___ *Mottled Duck	Goatsuckers	___ Dunlin	___ Common Loon (N)	___ Eastern Screech-Owl (N)	___ Say's Phoebe (N)
___ Northern Pintail (N)	___ Common Nighthawk (N)	___ Baird's Sandpiper	___ *Yellow-billed Loon	___ Great Horned Owl (N)	___ *Vermilion Flycatcher
___ Green-winged Teal (N)	___ Common Poorwill (N)	___ *Little Stint	Storks	___ Snowy Owl	Vireos
___ Canvasback (N)	___ Eastern Whip-poor-will (N)	___ Least Sandpiper	___ *Wood Stork	___ Northern Hawk Owl	___ *White-eyed Vireo
___ Redhead (N)	Swifts	___ White-rumped Sandpiper	Boobies and Gannets	___ Burrowing Owl (N)	___ Bell's Vireo (N)
___ Ring-necked Duck (N)	___ Chimney Swift (N)	___ Buff-breasted Sandpiper	___ *Northern Gannet	___ Barred Owl (N)	___ Yellow-throated Vireo (N)
___ Greater Scaup	Hummingbirds	___ Pectoral Sandpiper	Cormorants	___ *Great Gray Owl	___ *Cassin's Vireo
___ Lesser Scaup (N)	___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird (N)	___ Semipalmated Sandpiper	___ *Neotropic Cormorant	___ Long-eared Owl (N)	___ Blue-headed Vireo
___ *King Eider	___ *Black-chinned Hummingbird	___ *Western Sandpiper	___ Double-crested Cormorant (N)	___ Short-eared Owl (N)	___ *Plumbeous Vireo
___ *Common Eider	___ *Anna's Hummingbird	___ Short-billed Dowitcher	Pelicans	___ *Boreal Owl	___ Philadelphia Vireo (N)
___ *Harlequin Duck	___ *Calliope Hummingbird	___ Long-billed Dowitcher	___ American White Pelican (N)	___ Northern Saw-whet Owl (N)	___ Warbling Vireo (N)
___ Surf Scoter	___ *Rufous Hummingbird	___ American Woodcock (N)	___ *Brown Pelican	Kingfishers	___ Red-eyed Vireo (N)
___ White-winged Scoter (N)	___ *Broad-tailed Hummingbird	___ Wilson's Snipe (N)	Bitterns, Herons, and Allies	___ Belted Kingfisher (N)	Shrikes
___ Black Scoter	Rails, Gallinules, and Coots	___ Spotted Sandpiper (N)	___ American Bittern (N)	Woodpeckers	___ Loggerhead Shrike (N)
___ Long-tailed Duck	___ *King Rail	___ Solitary Sandpiper	___ Least Bittern (N)	___ *Lewis's Woodpecker	___ Northern Shrike
___ Bufflehead (N)	___ Virginia Rail (N)	___ Lesser Yellowlegs	___ Great Blue Heron (N)	___ Red-headed Woodpecker (N)	Jays, Magpies, Crows
___ Common Goldeneye (N)	___ Sora (N)	___ Willet (N)	___ Great Egret (N)	___ *Acorn Woodpecker	___ *Canada Jay
___ *Barrow's Goldeneye	___ *Common Gallinule	___ Greater Yellowlegs	___ Snowy Egret (N)	___ Red-bellied Woodpecker (N)	___ *Pinyon Jay
___ Hooded Merganser (N)	___ American Coot (N)	___ Wilson's Phalarope (N)	___ *Little Blue Heron (N)	___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (N)	___ Blue Jay (N)
___ Common Merganser (N)	___ Yellow Rail (N)	___ Red-necked Phalarope	___ *Tricolored Heron (N)	___ *Black-backed Woodpecker	___ *Clark's Nutcracker
___ Red-breasted Merganser	Cranes	___ *Red Phalarope	___ Cattle Egret (N)	___ Downy Woodpecker (N)	___ Black-billed Magpie (N)
___ Ruddy Duck (N)	___ Sandhill Crane (N)	Skuas and Jaegers	___ Green Heron (N)	___ Hairy Woodpecker (N)	___ American Crow (N)
Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys,	___ *Common Crane	___ *Pomarine Jaeger	___ Black-crowned Night-Heron (N)	___ Northern Flicker (N)	___ Common Raven (N)
and Old World Quail	___ Whooping Crane	___ *Parasitic Jaeger	___ *Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	___ Pileated Woodpecker (N)	Chickadees, Titmice
___ Wild Turkey (N)	Stilts and Avocets	Gulls, Terns, Skimmers	Ibises and Spoonbills	Caracaras and Falcons	___ Black-capped Chickadee (N)
___ Ruffed Grouse (N)	___ Black-necked Stilt (N)	___ *Black-legged Kittiwake	___ *White Ibis	___ *Crested Caracara	___ *Boreal Chickadee
___ *Willow Ptarmigan	___ American Avocet (N)	___ Sabine's Gull	___ *Glossy Ibis	___ American Kestrel (N)	___ *Tufted Titmouse
___ Greater Sage-Grouse (N)	Lapwings and Plovers	___ Bonaparte's Gull	___ White-faced Ibis (N)	___ Merlin (N)	Larks
___ Sharp-tailed Grouse (N)	___ Black-bellied Plover	___ *Little Gull	New World Vultures	___ *Gyr Falcon	___ Horned Lark (N)
___ Greater Prairie-Chicken (N)					

Swallows
___ Bank Swallow (N)
___ Tree Swallow (N)
___ Violet-green Swallow (N)
___ Northern Rough-winged Swallow (N)
___ Purple Martin (N)
___ Barn Swallow (N)
___ Cliff Swallow (N)

Kinglets
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet (N)

Waxwings
___ Bohemian Waxwing
___ Cedar Waxwing (N)

Nuthatches
___ Red-breasted Nuthatch (N)
___ White-breasted Nuthatch (N)
___ *Pygmy Nuthatch

Creepers
___ Brown Creeper (N)

Gnatcatchers
___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

Wrens
___ Rock Wren (N)
___ *Bewick's Wren
___ *Carolina Wren
___ House Wren (N)
___ Winter Wren
___ Sedge Wren (N)
___ Marsh Wren (N)

Mimids
___ Gray Catbird (N)
___ Brown Thrasher (N)
___ *Sage Thrasher
___ Northern Mockingbird (N)

Starlings
___ European Starling (N)

Thrushes
___ Eastern Bluebird (N)
___ *Western Bluebird
___ Mountain Bluebird (N)
___ Townsend's Solitaire
___ Veery (N)
___ Gray-cheeked Thrush
___ Swainson's Thrush
___ Hermit Thrush
___ Wood Thrush (N)
___ American Robin (N)
___ Varied Thrush

Old World Sparrows
___ House Sparrow (N)
___ *Eurasian Tree Sparrow

Pipits
___ American Pipit
___ Sprague's Pipit (N)

Finches
___ *Brambling
___ Evening Grosbeak
___ Pine Grosbeak
___ Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch

___ House Finch (N)
___ Purple Finch (N)
___ *Cassin's Finch
___ Common Redpoll
___ Hoary Redpoll
___ Red Crossbill (N)
___ White-winged Crossbill (N)
___ Pine Siskin (N)
___ *Lesser Goldfinch
___ American Goldfinch (N)

Longspurs, Snow Bunting
___ Lapland Longspur
___ Chestnut-collared Longspur (N)
___ Smith's Longspur
___ *Thick-billed Longspur (N)
___ Snow Bunting

Towhees, Sparrows
___ Grasshopper Sparrow (N)
___ *Black-throated Sparrow
___ Lark Sparrow (N)
___ Lark Bunting (N)
___ Chipping Sparrow (N)
___ Clay-colored Sparrow (N)
___ Field Sparrow (N)
___ Brewer's Sparrow (N)
___ Fox Sparrow
___ American Tree Sparrow
___ Dark-eyed Junco
___ White-crowned Sparrow
___ *Golden-crowned Sparrow
___ Harris's Sparrow
___ White-throated Sparrow (N)
___ Vesper Sparrow (N)
___ LeConte's Sparrow (N)
___ Nelson's Sparrow (N)
___ Baird's Sparrow (N)
___ *Henslow's Sparrow (N)
___ Savannah Sparrow (N)
___ Song Sparrow (N)
___ Lincoln's Sparrow
___ Swamp Sparrow (N)
___ *Green-tailed Towhee
___ Spotted Towhee (N)
___ Eastern Towhee (N)

Chats
___ Yellow-breasted Chat (N)
Blackbirds, Orioles
___ Yellow-headed Blackbird (N)
___ Bobolink (N)
___ *Eastern Meadowlark
___ Western Meadowlark (N)
___ Orchard Oriole (N)
___ Bullock's Oriole (N)
___ Baltimore Oriole (N)
___ Red-winged Blackbird (N)
___ Brown-headed Cowbird (N)
___ Rusty Blackbird
___ Brewer's Blackbird (N)
___ Common Grackle (N)
___ *Great-tailed Grackle

Wood-warblers
___ *Painted Redstart
___ Ovenbird (N)

___ *Worm-eating Warbler
___ *Louisiana Waterthrush
___ Northern Waterthrush (N)
___ Golden-winged Warbler
___ *Blue-winged Warbler
___ Black-and-white Warbler (N)
___ *Prothonotary Warbler
___ Tennessee Warbler
___ Orange-crowned Warbler (N)
___ Nashville Warbler (N)
___ Connecticut Warbler
___ *MacGillivray's Warbler
___ Mourning Warbler (N)
___ *Kentucky Warbler
___ Common Yellowthroat (N)
___ *Hooded Warbler
___ American Redstart (N)
___ Cape May Warbler
___ *Cerulean Warbler
___ Northern Parula
___ Magnolia Warbler
___ Bay-breasted Warbler
___ Blackburnian Warbler
___ Yellow Warbler (N)
___ Chestnut-sided Warbler (N)
___ Blackpoll Warbler
___ Black-throated Blue Warbler
___ Palm Warbler
___ *Pine Warbler
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler
___ *Yellow-throated Warbler
___ *Prairie Warbler
___ *Black-throated Gray Warbler
___ *Townsend's Warbler
___ Black-throated Green Warbler
___ Canada Warbler
___ Wilson's Warbler

Tanagers, Cardinals,
Grosbeaks, Buntings
___ Summer Tanager (N)
___ Scarlet Tanager (N)
___ Western Tanager
___ Northern Cardinal (N)
___ Rose-breasted Grosbeak (N)
___ Black-headed Grosbeak (N)
___ Blue Grosbeak (N)
___ Lazuli Bunting (N)
___ Indigo Bunting (N)
___ *Painted Bunting
___ Dickcissel (N)

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