

## 2019 Juneau Christmas Bird Count Results by Patty Rose

The 47th Juneau Christmas Bird Count (2019) took place Saturday, January 4, 2020. Twenty-four volunteers reported 70 species and 10,069 individual birds. A few feeder watchers also contributed their observations to the count. Twelve additional species were seen during count week, for a total of 82.

The weather was cloudy, with temperatures in the upper twenties to low thirties, snow flurries, and light winds. The ponds and lakes were frozen or partly frozen.

Highlights included Northern Shoveler, Ring-necked Duck, Pied-billed Grebe, Red-breasted Sapsucker, American Kestrel, Merlin, Lapland Longspur, Yellow-rumped Warbler, and White-throated Sparrow on count day and Canvasback, Surfbird, Great Horned Owl, American Three-toed Woodpecker, Spotted Towhee, and Lincoln's Sparrow during count week. Those species have been seen on 10 or fewer previous counts.

Surprisingly, the count resulted in nine new highs: Pied-billed Grebe (2), Bald Eagle (220), Killdeer (22), Dunlin (440), Merlin (5), Pacific Wren (18), Varied Thrush (120), White-winged Crossbill (670), and Pine Siskin (2,065). Additionally, Red-breasted Sapsucker was a new count-day species for the Juneau count.

Twenty-two species have been seen on each of the 47 counts. For the first time on a Juneau count, Long-Tailed Duck was not reported, nor was it reported during count week. A count of seven White-winged Scoters was a new low count for that species. The five most numerous species were Mallard (2,146), Pine Siskin (2,065), White-Winged Crossbill (670), Glaucous-winged Gull (590), and Common Raven (488). A detailed list follows.

Canada Goose - 379	Common Merganser - 55
Gadwall - 27	Red-breasted Merganser - 65
American Wigeon - 172	Unidentified Mergansers - 2
Mallard - 2,146	Pacific Loon - 7
Northern Shoveler - 2	Common Loon - count week
Northern Pintail - 20	Pied-billed Grebe - 2
Green-winged Teal - 2	Horned Grebe - 35
Canvasback - count week	Red-necked Grebe - 2
Ring-necked Duck - 3	Pelagic Cormorant - 16
Greater Scaup - 67	Great Blue Heron - 8
Lesser Scaup - 4	Bald Eagle - 220
Unidentified Scaup - 48	Sharp-shinned Hawk - 1
Harlequin Duck - 63	Killdeer - 22
Surf Scoter - 412	Surfbird - count week
White-winged Scoter - 7	Dunlin - 440
Bufflehead - 130	Wilson's Snipe - 1
Common Goldeneye - 107	Pigeon Guillemot - 2
Barrow's Goldeneye - 260	Marbled Murrelet - 69
Hooded Merganser - count week	Mew Gull - 80

Herring Gull - 3  
Glaucous-winged Gull - 590  
Glaucous-winged Gull x Herring Gull - 7  
Rock Pigeon - 31  
Great Horned Owl - count week  
Short-eared Owl - 1  
Anna's Hummingbird - 3  
Belted Kingfisher - 7  
Red-breasted Sapsucker - 1  
Hairy Woodpecker - 3  
American Three-toed Woodpecker - count week  
American Kestrel - 1  
Merlin - 5  
Northern Shrike - 1  
Steller's Jay - 62  
Black-billed Magpie - 10  
Northwestern Crow - 236  
Common Raven - 488  
Chestnut-backed Chickadee - 97  
Red-breasted Nuthatch - 6  
Brown Creeper - 5  
Pacific Wren - 18  
American Dipper - 5  
Golden-crowned Kinglet - 69

Ruby-crowned Kinglet - 1  
American Robin - 10  
Varied Thrush - 76  
European Starling - 120  
Bohemian Waxwing - count week  
Lapland Longspur - 1  
Snow Bunting - 80  
Yellow-rumped Warbler - 1  
Spotted Towhee - count week  
American Tree Sparrow - 8  
Fox Sparrow - count week  
Song Sparrow - 30  
Lincoln's Sparrow - count week  
White-throated Sparrow - 1  
White-crowned Sparrow - 3  
Golden-crowned Sparrow - 2  
Dark-eyed Junco - 368  
Red-winged Blackbird - count week  
Pine Grosbeak - count week  
Red Crossbill - 4  
White-winged Crossbill - 670  
Unidentified Crossbills - 60  
Common Redpoll - 44  
Pine Siskin - 2,065

**Count Day Species - 70**

**Count Week Species - 12**

**Total Species - 82**

**Total Individual Birds - 10,069**

**Volunteers: 24**