

## Wooded Island Bird Walk Report for Saturday, June 4, 2011

The bird walkers were confronted with thousands of runners of the half marathon that started in Jackson Park and went through Wooded Island. Because we couldn't cross the north bridge, we started the walk in the meadow. By the time a few of us reached the Island, the runners had all passed through. Incidentally, the run started with a yellow alert because of the heat, changed to red at some point, and then to black when the race was called. A young man (23 years old) died from unknown causes. Very sad.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Places: Meadow, soccer field, Wooded Island

Weather: Sunny and hot.

Observers:

Hal, Matt Morrow, Caroline, Leo, Jennette, Sally, Donna, and Karin C. Only Hal, Matt, and Karin walked around. The others must have turned back at the Golf Range. The following sightings were supplied mostly by Hal.

Canada Goose

Wood Duck, 5 male

Mallard 4 male, 4 female

Great Blue Heron 1

Green Heron 3, Did not try to locate bird on nest at Darrow Bridge. Music being broadcast very loud.

Black-crowned Night-Heron 1 imm plus 1 adult seen by Jane Masterson earlier

Ring-billed Gull

Caspian Tern 2

Mourning Dove 2

Rock Pigeon 1

Chimney Swift

Ruby-throated Hummingbird 1

Eastern Phoebe 1

Eastern Kingbird 1

Warbling Vireo 4

Red-eyed Vireo 1

Crow 3

Purple Martin

Northern Rough-winged Swallow

Cliff Swallow

Barn Swallow  
House Wren 2 or more heard  
American Robin  
Gray Catbird 2 or more  
European Starling  
Cedar Waxwing 1  
Yellow Warbler 6  
Common Yellowthroat 3 heard  
Song Sparrow 1  
Northern Cardinal 4  
Indigo Bunting 3  
Red-winged Blackbird 5  
Common Grackle  
Baltimore Oriole 5

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