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CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

January 10, Thursday: January meeting of RROS

Cleek Nattkemper will show his slides of the Galapagos Islands which he took in August 1972, on a U.C. Extension trip. He was part of a group of 30 people who spent 7 days traveling by boat from island to island. Mr. Nattkemper is a Life Science teacher at Santa Rosa Junior College, where he has been teaching for 30 years. He is also an ardent photographer.

January 12, Saturday: RROS Field Trip

Meet in the town of Bodega Bay, in the upper parking lot by the Tides Restaurant, at 8:00 A.M., for a day of Sonoma Coast birding. (Come at 8:00 by whatever time system we are using on this date). For information about the trip, or sharing of rides, call Field Trip Chairman Gordon Bolander, 542-5216.

January 14, Monday: Deadline for February Kite Sales

February 14, Thursday: February meeting of RROS

The February meeting will be devoted to owls, and will be conducted somewhat differently than usual. Through discussion, participation, and reciprocal brain-picking, we will focus on local owls. Distribution, habitats, calling and other owing techniques will be explored. Hopefully, we will have some local experts to help us out.

CHRISTMAS COUNT NEWS

Santa Rosa Count

On December 23, 1973, the 14th Santa Rosa Christmas Bird Count was conducted. The day began with overcast skies, and ended with some fog and drizzles. One hundred twenty-two species, and about 80,000 individuals were sighted.

The Count was ably directed and compiled by Gordon Belander and Mike Parmenter; the compiling evening was hosted by Linda and Dave Hanes. Many thanks to these members, to all those who so generously answered Linda's "Pot Luck" call, and to everyone else who added to the success of our 14th Count.

Santa Rosa Count Statistics

Included in this issue of Kite Tales, pages 3-7, are statistics for all 14 Santa Rosa Counts to date. In order to save space, for the first five counts (1960-1964), the presence of each species is just indicated by a "y", the absence, by a "-". For 1965 on, complete numerical statistics are included. Many, many thanks are due Linda Hanes for the hours of typing required (she'll never volunteer for anything again!)

western Sonoma Count

December 29th was witness to more than 80 birders ignoring rain (during owlings), and cold wind to carry out the Western Sonoma Count sponsored by Madrone Audubon Society, and directed and compiled by Baron McLean and Martha Bentley. One hundred sixty species were recorded.

More later.....

The above and other local Christmas Counts will be more completely analyzed in a future issue of Kite Tales. If you have any comments on the Counts, or news about Counts you participated in, please send on the information to the editor.



	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74
Cotton Loon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arctic Loon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Horned Grebe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eared Grebe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Red-necked Grebe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Western Grebe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pied-billed Grebe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Double-crested Cormorant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Great Blue Heron	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Green Heron	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Common Egret	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Snowy Egret	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black-crowned Night Heron	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
American Bittern	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Least Bittern	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Least Bittern, Least	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Common Moorhen	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Canada Goose	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
White-fronted Goose	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Snow Goose	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northern	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greater	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plumbeous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Common Eider	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northern Shoveler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Long Duck	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ruddy Duck	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kittiwake	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rough-legged Hawk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Osprey	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Red-tailed Hawk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Swallow-tailed Gull	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Common Gull	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ring-billed Gull	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Herring Gull	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Slaty-backed Gull	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Common Scoter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Red-throated Scoter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Common Murrelet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Common Murrelet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gosse (sp.)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

(Y) = seen in count day

(-) = not seen in count day or period

(OP) = seen in count period, not in count day

Turkey Vulture	160	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73
White-tailed Kite	y	y	y	y	y	65	135	68	10	78	34	69	62	104
Sharp-shinned Hawk	y	y	y	y	y	31	21	55	72	120	36	74	26	36
Coyote Hawk	y	y	y	y	y	2	3	7	3	11	11	14	5	5
Red-tailed Hawk	y	y	y	y	y	7	11	7	2	6	18	4	8	13
Rough-legged Hawk	y	y	y	y	y	11	11	7	2	6	18	4	8	13
Screech-owl Hawk	y	y	y	y	y	11	11	7	2	6	18	4	8	13
Golden Eagle	y	y	y	y	y	11	11	7	2	6	18	4	8	13
Bald Eagle	y	y	y	y	y	11	11	7	2	6	18	4	8	13
Marsh Hawk	y	y	y	y	y	11	11	7	2	6	18	4	8	13
Goshawk	y	y	y	y	y	11	11	7	2	6	18	4	8	13
Prairie Falcon	y	y	y	y	y	11	11	7	2	6	18	4	8	13
Peregrine Falcon	y	y	y	y	y	11	11	7	2	6	18	4	8	13
Merlin	y	y	y	y	y	11	11	7	2	6	18	4	8	13
American Kestrel	y	y	y	y	y	11	11	7	2	6	18	4	8	13
California Quail	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Ring-necked Pheasant	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Virginia Rail	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Sora	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Common Gallinule	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
American Coot	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Kildeer	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Black-bellied Plover	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Common Snipe	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Long-billed Curlew	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Spotted Sandpiper	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Greater Yellowlegs	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Lesser Yellowlegs	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Long-billed Sandpiper	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Dunlin	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Short-billed Dowitcher	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Long-billed Dowitcher	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Western Sandpiper	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Ring-billing	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
American Avocet	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Downy Duck	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Sandpiper (sp.)	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Glaucom-winged Gull	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7
Western Gull	y	y	y	y	y	112	112	106	109	131	32	1	7	7

	'60	'61	'62	'63	'64	'65	'66	'67	'68	'69	'70	'71	'72	'73
Herring Gull	-	-	-	-	14	4	120	100	6	13	-	-	-	-
California Gull	Y	-	-	Y	Y	150	52	302	1000	161	140	32	-	83
Ring-billed Gull	-	-	-	Y	Y	110	319	41	818	161	103	30	20	75
Mew Gull	-	-	-	Y	Y	900	900	181	6000	181	298	191	-	65
Bonaparte's Gull	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	SP	-	-	-	-	-
Gull (sp.)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hand-tailed Pigeon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mountain Dove	Y	Y	Y	Y	167	15	-	108	4	11	1	-	-	-
Barn Owl	-	Y	Y	Y	341	5	37	142	308	25	1	1	1	1
Savannah Owl	-	-	-	Y	12	3	-	22	10	7	6	26	12	1
Pygmy Owl	-	-	-	Y	1	-	3	1	-	1	1	3	1	6
Burrowing Owl	-	-	-	Y	4	6	-	8	8	9	8	OP	OP	2
Short-eared Owl	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	6	4	3	22	1	3	3
Saw-whet Owl	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	-	1	CP	OP	OP	2
Poor-will	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	-	1	OP	-	-	-
White-throated Swift	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	7	-	5	13	15	15	3
Anna's Hummingbird	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	23	67	37	26	54	70	33
Blue-eared Kingfisher	-	-	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	11	9	16	7	10	11	9
Casuarina Flycatcher	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yellow-shafted Flicker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Red-shafted Flicker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hybrid Flicker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pileated Woodpecker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acorn Woodpecker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lewis's Woodpecker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Harry Woodpecker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Downy Woodpecker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuttall's Woodpecker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tropical Kingbird	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cassin's Kingbird	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black Phoebe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Say's Phoebe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Horned Lark	-	-	-	Y	Y	67	80	68	44	72	57	60	35	43
Violet-green Swallow	-	-	-	Y	Y	162	1	2	10	137	86	7	-	-
Tree Swallow	-	-	-	Y	Y	27	7	3	54	1	2	6	-	-
Steller's Jay	-	-	-	Y	Y	14	36	33	29	33	43	41	147	123
Scrub Jay	-	-	-	Y	Y	227	201	233	153	461	358	222	376	329

Common Raven	160	61	82	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73
Cassin's Crow	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	21	147	21	34	26	32	21	6	12
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2320	1341	631	789	1429	128	635	1617	853
Plain Titmouse	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	65	109	63	43	104	150	67	264	190
Bush Tit	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	118	161	129	77	164	228	119	264	233
White-breasted Nuthatch	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	242	328	289	271	579	676	635	629	622
Red-breasted Nuthatch	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	52	52	59	27	36	52	57	94	73
Piney Nuthatch	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"	20	20	2	2	2	1	6	"
Brown Creeper	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Wrentit	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Winter Wren	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
House Wren	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Rock Wren	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Mockingbird	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	39	47	69	34	24	18	16	30	40
California Thrasher	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	2	2	3	1	1	1	41	41
American Robin	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	1622	1733	159	649	2282	1236	8	240	367
Variety Thrush	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	22	39	40	58	136	201	104	59	63
Horned Thrush	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	113	169	152	136	136	136	9	6	7
Western Bluebird	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50	94	20	58	15	60	32	118	189
Golden-crowned Kinglet	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	196	189	231	106	104	220	105	132	351
Blue-crowned Kinglet	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	357	552	653	255	156	345	389	220	186
Water Pipit	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	293	271	202	655	349	227	614	115	617
Golden-crowned Kinglet	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bohemian Waxwing	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	84	68	64	27	31	35	30	38	43
Sparrow	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	822	2317	2476	3677	3262	325	26,668	9233	23,123
Mountain Vireo	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	1	14	10	7	7	15	6	16	30
Orange-crowned Warbler	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	6	11	35	59	19	10	5	12
Myrtle	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	491	237	457	2	360	311	107	92	263
Townsend's Warbler	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	8	15
Yellow Warbler	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Common Yellowthroat	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Palm Warbler	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
House Sparrow	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	361	727	333	200	303	450	284	713	976
Western Meadowlark	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	1163	1193	1530	819	2490	1039	1185	965	1336
Yellow-headed Blackbird	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"

Scarlet-tufted blackbird	'60	'61	'62	'63	'64	'65	'66	'67	'68	'69	'70	'71	'72	'73
Ring-necked pheasant	y	y	y	y	y	1323	1271	1403	2048	4010	1637	6520	7329	23,328
Riviera Blackbird	y	y	y	y	y	3981	2727	3240	1	6	9	3	123	123
River's Blackbird	y	y	y	y	y	3	64	15	3581	3647	3351	3295	9670	9670
Brown-headed Cowbird	y	y	y	y	y	1	1	1	83	8	76	13	56	15
Western Tanager	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Mountain Chickadee	y	y	y	y	y	25	7	49	14	33	op	23	13	41
House Finch	y	y	y	y	y	1024	556	843	675	637	923	1151	60	385
Pine Siskin	y	y	y	y	y	163	33	96	27	316	304	27	137	136
American Goldfinch	y	y	y	y	y	714	21	204	7	114	15	234	67	356
Lesser Goldfinch	y	y	y	y	y	300	313	239	361	452	362	261	467	370
Red Crossbill	y	y	y	y	y	68	123	124	76	141	156	123	203	160
Redpoll	y	y	y	y	y	321	267	278	174	477	433	272	413	413
Green-tailed Towhee	y	y	y	y	y	205	31	741	66	1050	127	237	122	53
Brown Towhee	y	y	y	y	y	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Savannah Sparrow	y	y	y	y	y	34	63	48	24	90	103	152	36	6
Chipping Sparrow	y	y	y	y	y	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	127
Vesper Sparrow	y	y	y	y	y	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Lesser Sparrow	y	y	y	y	y	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Field Sparrow	y	y	y	y	y	693	536	1055	635	2168	2827	660	1502	1460
Slate-colored	y	y	y	y	y	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1
Orion	y	y	y	y	y	96	789	837	1971	1620	1359	1308	1243	1243
Chipping Sparrow	y	y	y	y	y	510	636	663	1136	943	787	572	345	345
White-crowned Sparrow	y	y	y	y	y	6	2	4	6	2	3	2	5	5
Lincoln Sparrow	y	y	y	y	y	33	33	62	3	49	39	16	41	43
Swamp Sparrow	y	y	y	y	y	8	21	47	12	3	3	1	1	1
Song Sparrow	y	y	y	y	y	241	210	377	163	181	195	188	262	178