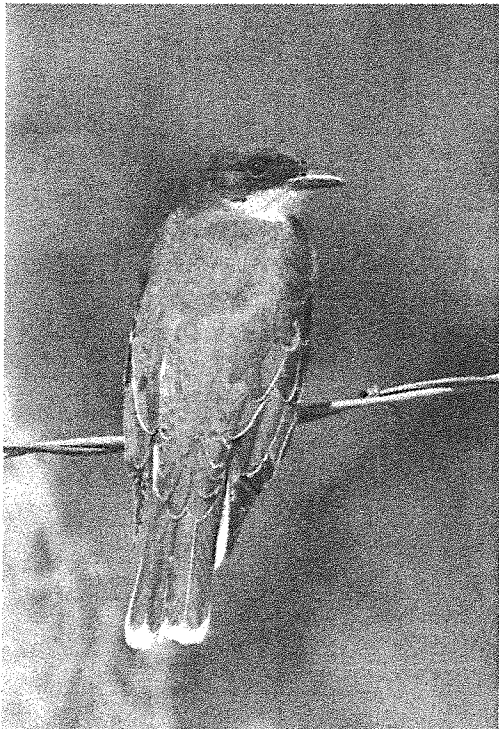




Kite Tales

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Eastern Kingbird Rick LeBaudour
(2nd Tulare sighting)

**Potluck/Picnic Meeting
+EVENING BIRD WALK
Thursday, September 8TH
SUGARLOAF RIDGE STATE PARK
meet at 6:00 p.m.**

**Picnic Area across from
the Day Use parking lot.**

A new fall of great birding begins. Let's come together and share stories of summer birding and hopes for the fall. Larry Broderick will also be there to answer questions about raptor counts.

You will also be able to purchase our brand new **RROS ball caps** (see info later in KT).

Glo called to confirm State Park availability and was not told anything definitive. For questions, 833-5712. We are crossing our fingers!!

Directions: Take Hwy 12 to Adobe Canyon Rd. (at the western edge of Kenwood). Drive north to State Park contact station, **pay entry fee or display pass**, and park in Day Use Lot 100 yards ahead. Look for RROS at picnic area across from parking lot. Bring food, plates, utensils, beverages, and binoculars.

ANNUAL DUES ARE NOW PAYABLE!

\$20 per family, \$15 per individual, \$5 per student

Send RROS Dues to Treasurer Don Howard, 979 Hogwarts Circle, Petaluma 94954

Save the Date

**General Meeting for Thursday, October 13th, 2011 at 7 p.m.
"Birding Highlights with Rick Le Baudour"**

FIELD TRIPS - Autumn 2011***Saturday, September 17th - outer Point Reyes***

This is our annual fall trip to this great birding spot. Expect fall migrants, possible vagrants, shorebirds and sea birds. Meet 7 a.m. at the Petaluma park'n'ride at Lakeville Hwy. Or, meet 7:30 a.m. at the Whitehouse Pools parking lot in Inverness. We will search all the famous spots for vagrants and migrants. Bring binoculars, scopes, field guides, water, lunch, layers of clothing. Leader is Lisa Hug. Questions: Ellen Blustein 707-623-9404.

Tuesday, September 27th - outer Point Reyes

For you week day folks, here's another chance - meet at the Petaluma Park n Ride @ Hwy 101 and Hwy 116 (Lakeville) at 7:30 am. We will search for vagrants, migrants, etc. during this hottest time of the year! Bring lunch and water, wear layers and birding equipment. Leader: Ruth Rudesill ruthier@sonic.net 707-833-6026 or cell 707-481-0768

Saturday, October 15th - Bodega Harbor Leader and details TBA.

Raptor Counts at Jenner Headlands Overlook

Raptor counts will be held the last week of August, throughout September and into October. They will take place 4-6 times on weekends and 4-6 times on weekdays from 10 a.m. to either 2 or 4 p.m. Scheduled counts will proceed regardless of weather. Larry Broderick will provide on the spot training for participants. Spotters, counters and identification specialists are needed.

To volunteer or get further information, contact Larry Broderick by email at northcoastraptor@gmail.com or by phone at West County Hawk Watch at (707)975-7047.

Breeding Bird Atlas - Sonoma County BBA Year One Data Entry Party

Calling all BBA volunteers, if you haven't entered your 2011 data to the BBA database yet, now's your chance! Join us on Monday, September 26th, 6 pm at the Santa Rosa Water Treatment Plant on Llano Road for fun, snacks and plenty of data entry. Bring your lap top if you have one! BBA committee members will be there to answer questions, solve problems and help you get your data entered into the database. Questions? Email Veronica at vlbowers@gmail.com

FIELD TRIP REPORT - Kern County June 23 - 27, 2011

The RROS summer field trip to the Kernville area kicked off at dinner the evening of June 23rd. Lisa Hug and Ellen Blustein were absent due to Ellen's car fire which provided a lot of entertainment. The local leader was Bob Barnes who did a fantastic job. The participants were Patrick Woodworth, Wendy Peterson, David Sexton, Elaine Pruitt, Rick Le Baudour, Richard Merris, Rhio Reigh, Lisa Hug, Don Howard, Karen Grillo, James Fritzhand, Terry Colburn, Janet Bosshard, and Ellen Blustein. **115 species were observed** during the 3 days. Bob Barnes took us to low lying areas in the morning then up slope for the heat of the day. The bird of the trip was an **Eastern Kingbird** spotted by Terry Colburn and Rick LeBaudour as the group traveled along the Kennedy Meadows Road. We visited a private home in the desert where the lady of the house was hand feeding wild Le Conte's Thrashers. For a complete bird list, contact Ellen Blustein.

Observations: Late Spring/Summer 2011 Compiled by David A. Hofmann

Bird Species	Date	Location	Co.	#	Observers	Notes
Brant	7/6/11	Bodega Harbor	SON	8	BDP, DAH, MOB	
Cackling Goose	5/12-22/11	Valley Ford	SON	1	BB, EuH	
Tufted Duck	4/29/11	Shollenberger Pk	SON	1 f	RAR	
Lesser Scaup	8/4/11	Shollenberger Pk	SON	1 m	RS	
King Eider	6/5-8/11	Chimney Rock	MRN	1	JoC, MOB	
Harlequin Duck	6/8-14/11	Drake's Beach	MRN	1 m	ROD, BB	
Harlequin Duck	6/18/11	Bodega Harbor	SON	1 m	PH, MOB	
Common Goldeneye	6/30/11	Russian Riv mouth	SON	1 m	CV	
Canvasback	6/24/11	Shollenberger Pk	SON	4	RAR	
White-winged Scoter	4/26-5/2/11	Bodega Harbor	SON	1 f	RW, KW	
White-winged Scoter	8/10/11	Porto Bodega	SON	1 f	ScC	
Long-tailed Duck	4/29-5/2/11	Bodega Harbor	SON	1 m	LHg, KW	
Horned Grebe	6/18-7/11/11	Bodega Harbor	SON	1	HNM, MOB	
Laysan Albatross	7/17/11	NW of Cordell Banks	SON	1	RS, MOB	
Northern Fulmar	7/17/11	Cordell Banks	MRN	74	RS, MOB	
Northern Fulmar	7/31/11	off Bodega Head	SON	1	PBC, DR	
Ashy Storm-petrel	7/17/11	Cordell Banks	MRN	4	RS, MOB	
American Bittern	5/20/11	Lake Ilsanjo	SON	1	BD	
Cattle Egret	7/31/11	Shollenberger Pk	SON	1	PBC, BD	
Bald Eagle	4/18/11	Hwy 101 near Cloverdale	SON	1 ad	ScC	
Bald Eagle	5/7/11	Willow Creek Road	SON	1 ad	CT	
Bald Eagle	5/23/11	Healdsburg	SON	1 ad	EmH	
Bald Eagle	5/28/11	Kenwood	SON	1 ad	RAR	
Bald Eagle	6/14/11	Lakeville Hwy	SON	1 ad	LaB	
Bald Eagle	7/29/11	Laguna Santa Rosa	SON	2 im	GB	
Swainson's Hawk	6/24/11	Hwy 29 Bridge	NAP	1	BDP	
Swainson's Hawk	7/14/11	Sonoma County ?	SON	1	RiL	
Swainson's Hawk	7/20/11	Bodega Farm Pond	SON	1	EuH	
Swainson's Hawk	7/21/11	Hwy 121 x Hwy 116	SON	1	EuH	
Swainson's Hawk	7/24/11	Arnold Drive	SON	1	RAR	
Swainson's Hawk	7/28/11	Duhig Road	NAP	2 ad	SL	
Common Black Hawk	5/5/11	Laguna Santa Rosa	SON	1	SM	
Peregrine Falcon	4/18/11	Hwy 101 near Cloverdale	SON	1	ScC	
Peregrine Falcon	8/3-5/11	Doran Reg. Park	SON	1	DAH, BDP, LeB	anatum race
Clapper Rail	5/18/11	Petaluma marshes	SON	1	PBC, EuH	
Black Rail	5/18/11	Petaluma marshes	SON	1	PBC, EuH	
Sora	5/15/11	Sebastopol Laguna	SON	1+	LHg, CT, LHa	1 st co breeding rec
Common Gallinule	8/4/11	Ellis Creek Ponds	SON	21	BDP, DAH	note new/old name
Pacific Golden Plover	8/21/11	Shollenberger Pk	SON	3	EuH, RS, MOB	
Snowy Plover	5/31-6/19/11	Millerick Rd/Wingo	SON	7	EuH	nesting!
Greater Yellowlegs	6/5/11	Hudeman Wetlands	SON	10-12	KM	
Solitary Sandpiper	4/29/11	pond on Adobe Rd	SON	1	AW	
Wandering Tattler	5/2-22/11	Bodega Harbor	SON	1-2	KW, EuH	
Wandering Tattler	7/31/11	Bodega Head St. Pk	SON	1	ScC, DaS	
Wandering Tattler	8/2/11	Doran Reg. Park	SON	1	RAR	
Whimbrel	7/18/11	Doran Reg. Park	SON	17	DF	high number
Surfbird	7/17-18/11	Doran Reg. Park	SON	50	PH, PW, EuH	
Semipalmated Sandpip	7/17/11	Port Sonoma	SON	1	EuH	
Semipalmated Sandpip	7/25-8/11/11	Shollenberger Pk	SON	1 im	RS, MOB	
Semipalmated Sandpip	8/5/11	Rush Creek	MRN	1	MiB	
Pectoral Sandpiper	8/6/11	Shollenberger Pk	SON	1	BD, MOB	
Pectoral Sandpiper	8/11/11	Huichica	NAP	2	KP	
Ruff	7/23/11	Hwy 37	SOL	1	RAR	
Pomarine Jaeger	8/10/11	Pt. Reyes/Limantour	MRN	1	DW	
Long-tailed Jaeger	7/17/11	Cordell Banks	MRN	2	RS, MOB	
Laughing Gull	5/26-6/11/11	Las Gallinas Ponds	MRN	1	JW, MOB	
Laughing Gull	7/23-25/11	Hwy 37	SOL	1	RAR, JL, KPa	
Bonaparte's Gull	6/3/11	Shollenberger Pk	SON	4	RAR	
Bonaparte's Gull	8/2-11/11	Shollenberger Pk	SON	1	RS, MOB	
Sabine's Gull	7/17/11	Cordell Banks	MRN	3	RS, MOB	
Common Tern	7/3/11	Bodega Harbor	SON	1	MiB	

Common Tern	7/24-26/11	Hwy 37	SOL	1-4 im	LHg, MP	
Common Tern	8/11/11	off Bodega Head	SON	1	PBC, DR	
Least Tern	8/6/11	S of Buchli Station	NAP	1	FT	
Xantus's Murrelet	7/17/11	NW of Cordell Banks	SON	4	RS, MOB	
Cassin's Auklet	7/31/11	off Bodega Head	SON	1	ScC, DaS	
Rhinoceros Auklet	5/27/11	off Bodega Head	SON	7	LHg	
Rhinoceros Auklet	7/11/11	off Bodega Head	SON	3	ScC	
Rhinoceros Auklet	7/17/11	Cordell Banks	MRN	25	RS, MOB	
Rhinoceros Auklet	7/31/11	off Bodega Head	SON	1	ScC, DaS	
Rhinoceros Auklet	8/3/11	off Bodega Head	SON	2	BDP, DAH	
Tufted Puffin	7/17/11	NW of Cordell Banks	SON	1	RS, MOB	
White-winged Dove	6/20/11	Bolinas	MRN	1	WK	
White-winged Dove	7/8/11	Sea Ranch	SON	1	DHi	
Black-chinned Humngbd	8/10/11	Bolinas	MRN	1 juv	KH	
Rufous Hummingbird	4/30/11	Estero Americano	SON	1	EuH	
Rufous Hummingbird	4/30/11	w Santa Rosa feeder	SON	1 m	LTa	
Rufous Hummingbird	5/1-2/11	Occidental	SON	1	EE	
Rufous Hummingbird	5/2/11	Bodega Bay	SON	1 m	KW	
Rufous Hummingbird	5/2/11	Windsor	SON	1	TE	
Rufous Hummingbird	5/2/11	Sonoma feeder	SON	1 m	KPr	
Rufous Hummingbird	5/7/11	Willow Creek Road	SON	1 m	CT	
Olive-sided Flycatcher	4/21/11	Two Rock CGS	SON	1	RJ	
Willow Flycatcher	6/4/11	Campbell Cove	SON	1	AK	
Western Wood-pewee	4/24/11	Two Rock CGS	SON	1	RJ	
Western Wood-pewee	6/4/11	Campbell Cove/Owl Cyn	SON	15	AK	high number
Eastern Phoebe	5/31-6/6/11	Point Reyes Station	MRN	1	RS, DW, MOB	
Eastern Kingbird	6/21/11	Drake's Beach	MRN	1	RS	
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	6/20/11	Bodega Mar Lab	SON	1	LaM, JS (photos)	4 th County Record
Loggerhead Shrike	5/28/11	Tolay Lake Reg. Pk	SON	3	EuH, AL, EP	nesting
Loggerhead Shrike	6/2/11	Penngrove	SON	1	BO	
Loggerhead Shrike	6/8/11	Tolay Creek Ranch	SON	several	PBC, RAR	fledglings
Horned Lark	5/26/11	Tolay Lake Reg Pk	SON	1+	PBC	nesting
Gray Catbird	6/22/11	Pt. Reyes Lighthouse	MRN	1	RS	
Northern Parula	6/23-7/3/11	Pt. Reyes Hdqtrs	MRN	1	RS, DW, JeM, MOB	
Ovenbird	6/13/11	Ida Clayton Road	SON	1 m	MuB	
Yellow-breasted Chat	5/11/11	Willowside Road	SON	1	RAR	
Yellow-breasted Chat	5/20/11	Laguna Road	SON	1	GoB	
Yellow-breasted Chat	6/5/11	Cazadero	SON	1	LP	
Yellow-breasted Chat	6/14/11	Pope Valley Rd	NAP	1	BDP, DAH	
Yellow-breasted Chat	6/28/11	Kenwood/Sonoma Crk	SON	1	RAR	
Vesper Sparrow	5/28/11	Salt Point St. Pk	SON	1	EuH	
Black-throated Sparrow	5/19/11	Tomales Point	MRN	1	KA	
Dickcissel	7/11/11	Bolinas	MRN	1 f	KH, RD, RAR	
Tricolored Blackbird	6/2-15/11	s. Sonoma County	SON	200	RoL, PG	nesting
Yellow-headed Blackbird	7/10/11	Bodega Head park/lot	SON	1 m	LTi (photo), JiC	
Great-tailed Grackle	6/3/11	s. Sonoma County	SON	1 pr	RoL, PG	
Great-tailed Grackle	6/26/11	Ellis Creek Facility	SON	1 m	RAR	
Great-tailed Grackle	6/26/11	E. end of Imola Brdg.	NAP	1 m	BDP	
Great-tailed Grackle	7/28/11	Lakeville Hwy	SON	2 ad	RAR	
Great-tailed Grackle	8/9/11	Shollenberger Park	SON	1 m	EuH	
Evening Grosbeak	4/24-5/13/11	Riverfront Reg. Pk	SON	several	GoB	
Evening Grosbeak	5/3/11	near Fulton Road	SON	15-20	DoS	
Evening Grosbeak	6/15/11	Sonoma yard	SON	1	BMc	

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**Redwood Region Ornithological Society
Financial Report for Fiscal Year ending 6/30/2011**

Beginning Bank Balances (as of 7/1/2010)	\$6,651
(Includes \$3000 restricted for reprinting of <u>Birds of Sonoma County</u>)	
INCOME	
Dues	1,580
Book Sales	818
Member Donations	555
Checklist Sales	42
50 th Anniversary Party	860
TOTAL INCOME	\$3,855
EXPENSE	
Education	550
Donations made by RROS to:	650
Casa Grande High School	300
Burrowing Owl Conservation	300
Napa Solano Audubon Society	50
Printing Kite Tails	564
Postage	327
Web Fees	59
Royalties	125
Office	84
Sales Tax	40
Reprinting <u>Birds of Sonoma County</u>	2,650
50 th Anniversary Party	1,056
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$6,098
DEFICIT	(2,234)
Ending Bank Balance (as of 6/30/2011)	\$4,408
(Includes Restricted Funds for future publications = \$626)	

Respectfully Submitted,
Donald K Howard, Jr., Treasurer
7/30/2011

Donation Thanks
Gratitude to members for recent donations:
Terry Colborn, Bill Doyle, and Don Howard!

RROS Ball Caps

Imagine wearing our great RROS logo (see mailing label) on a gray cap while you are out birding. You can purchase one at the next General meeting for \$15.00 for members and \$18.00 for non-members . Be one of the first to get your own RROS ball cap.

**Receive KT via email and get color photos and help us reduce our costs.
Contact Don Howard for more information.**

Redwood Region Ornithological Society (www.rros.org) was organized in 1962 "to encourage the study and conservation of birds, other wildlife, and their natural habitat." Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month September through May, at 7:00 pm at the Laguna Waste Water Treatment Plant, 4300 Llano Road, Santa Rosa California, unless otherwise announced. Dues are \$20 per family, \$15 per individual or \$5 per student for a one-year membership. Send dues to RROS Treas. Don Howard, 979 Hogwarts Circle, Petaluma CA 94954.

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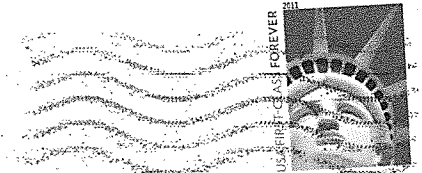
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Kite Tales Deadlines: Submit observations to David Hofmann, all other items to Glo Wellman by the 20th of the month.

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