All,

I’m finally providing you the 2022 Christmas Bird Count (CBC) final results (our count was only just finalized by Audubon).  But before I go into results, 2 things:

1. Let me take this opportunity to express my gratitude to all who participated—obviously without YOU, there is no count!  Additionally,  a special thanks to those who filled in as sector leaders when the usual leader was not available:  Tracy Tate, Cindy Schulz, and Stuart Sweetman.
2. I’m moving from Yahoo mail to Gmail.  Please update your contact lists to reflect my Gmail address, which I’ll be using from now on:  phrogdolph@gmail.com

Now, on to results.  Below is a brief summary of the 2022 CBC.  Count data from 2022 and 2021 are below (figures in parentheses represent data from 2021 for comparison):

Total Species: 125 (126)

Total Birds: 19,345 (20,104)

Observers In Field:  41 (39)

Feeder-watchers:  1 (4)

Number of Field Parties: 13 (16)

2022 (2021) Bird Count Effort:

         Means          Hours                     Distance (Miles)

On Foot        79.6 (82.0)              50.7 (51.0)

By Car          28.1 (35.2)              229.9 (230.6)

At feeders     1.25 (8.4)                N/A

Totals           108.95 (125.6)        280.6 (281.6)

I’ve attached Audubon’s Count Summary Report for those who would like more details; my own comments and analysis can also be found in the attached compiler’s summary.

Note the online tools section of the compiler’s summary—in particular, the Cornell Lab of Ornithology eBird Trip Report for the 2022 CBC: <https://ebird.org/tripreport/83757>.  There you’ll find the list of species and number of individuals seen.  Additionally, you can “drill down” to see the specific checklists on which each bird was reported, which can include a map of the observer’s route, the observers comments, and any photos posted.  You don’t need to be an eBird account holder to view the report-just click on the link!

Finally, please mark your calendars for the Spring Bird Count which will take place on Saturday, May 6.  I’ll be sending out a solicitation for participants soon.

Regards,

Bill Boeh