

## 2022 Spring Bird Count Summary

Below is a summary of the 2022 Hampton Roads Bird Club Spring Bird Count. Data from 2021 are provided for comparison (i.e., figures in parentheses represent data from 2021). Please email questions or comments to me at [dolphrog1@yahoo.com](mailto:dolphrog1@yahoo.com).

---Bill Boeh, count coordinator

- Total Species: 131 (137)      Total Birds: 9616 (9514)
- Observers In Field: 38 (32)      Feeder-watchers: 3 (3)

Note: Total birds observed by species can be viewed via eBird at <https://ebird.org/tripreport/45559>. The report contains links to all submitted checklists so you can do a deep dive into the data if desired.

- Effort: 81 checklists submitted; hours expended 111.3 (95.2); distance (miles) travelled 158.8 (285.3)
- Weather: wind E-SE 6 mph, visibility 10+ miles, no precipitation, skies clear, temperature 48 to 73 degrees.

Comments:

- Sector Leader comments:
  - Grandview, Mercury North: Diversity and number of birds was a little low, but maybe that was due to an earlier count date than usual.
  - Poquoson sector: The pond at Messick Point was the best ever!
- Rare species observed: Virginia Rail (Grandview); Marbled Godwit (Poquoson); Long-billed Dowitcher (Poquoson); Gull-billed Tern (Ft. Monroe)

Participants: Below is the list of participants by sector. An asterisk indicates the sector leaders. Let me take this opportunity to express my gratitude to all who participated—obviously without them, there is no count!

### Airport

Bill Boeh\*  
Cory Davis

### Chesapeake Ave.

Ellis Maxey\*  
Wendy Maxey\*

### Ft. Monroe

Bryan Barmore\*  
Sharon Burton\*

### Grandview

Nick Flanders\*  
Stuart Sweetman  
Ella DiPetto  
Oleksii Dubovyk

### Hampton

Dave Brown\*  
Dianne Hinch  
Heidi Young

### Harpersville

Jane Frigo\*  
Elizabeth Wilkins  
Jacques Montfrans  
Marc Nichols  
Hannah Montalvo

### Harwoods Mill

Meredith Bell\*  
Lee Bell

### Langley

Mark Sopko\*  
Alicia Garcia  
Cecilia Boyd  
Lane Tang

### Mariner's Museum

Angela Herring\*  
Peggy Waterfield  
Laura Mae

### Mercury North

Dave Youker\*  
Tracy Tate

### Newport News

Michael Meyer\*  
Cindy Schulz

### Poquoson:

Betsy Garrett\*  
April Solitro  
Gee Brownley

### Tabb

John Adair\*  
Marilyn Adair  
Jason Strickland  
Dianne Snyder

### Feeder Watchers:

Barb Abraham  
Sally Young  
Tom Charlock

