

The Records of the Oregon Bird Records Committee 2012-2013

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From May 2012 to May 2013 the Oregon Bird Records Committee (OBRC) completed the following records. The first group of records are those for which the written report and/or photographs or specimens supported the stated identification and are accepted records. If photo(s) or specimen is indicated for a record it was accepted as verified. Other records were accepted as sight records.

Of the 54 records reviewed by the Committee, 52 were accepted, and 2 were not accepted. Five species were added to the list: **Common Eider, Yellow-crowned Night-Heron, Guadalupe Murrelet, Little Bunting, and Cassin's Sparrow**. Two species were removed from the Review List: White-winged Dove and Brown Thrasher. The Official Checklist now stands at 527 species.

Information presented below for each species includes location of sighting, number of birds, sex and age if known, special information (such as collection and museum number) and date(s), initial of the observer(s) submitting written or other evidence for accepted records, and the OBRC record file number.

Two species were removed from the Review List:

White-winged Dove
Brown Thrasher

The OBRC record file number reads as follows: the first 3 digits are the AOU number for the species, the second 2 are the year in which the record was observed, and the last numbers are the consecutive numbers for the records as they are filed.

The OBRC thanks the following organizations for having made financial contributions in the past year to help with expenses: Cape Arago Audubon Society, Central Oregon Audubon Society, Audubon Society of Corvallis, Grant County Bird Club, Grande Ronde Bird Club, Kalmiopsis Audubon Society, Lane County Audubon Society, Audubon Society of Portland, Salem Audubon Society, Umpqua Valley Audubon, and Yaquina Birders and Naturalists.

The OBRC solicits nominations for membership. Each year the OBRC elects 3 of its 9 members for 3-year terms. Birders themselves interested in serving on the

OBRC Members	Term Ends	
Tom Crabtree	Bend	2015
Jeff Gilligan	Portland	2013
Dave Irons	Portland	2015
Tim Janzen	Portland	2015
Shawneen Finnegan	Portland	2014
Owen Schmidt	Portland	2014
Tim Shelmerdine	West Linn	2013
Craig Tumer	Portland	2013
Jay Withgott	Portland	2014

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Mike Patterson	Astoria
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OBRC should nominate themselves. All nominees must be members of OBA in good standing and the Secretary must receive all nominations before 15 November 2013. New terms begin at the new calendar year.

Accepted Records:

Common Eider 159-13-04	Coos Bay, Coos Co., 1 subadult male 15-17 March 2013 (photos by OS,NSt,BaT);
Cook's Petrel 098.3-12-04	45km W. Cape Blanco, Curry Co., 1 bird on 17 April 2012 (RyM);
Brown Booby 115-12-05	25mi. W. Depoe Bay, Lincoln Co., 1 bird on 6 October 2012 (GG,photo by NSt);
Little Blue Heron 200-12-13	Malheur NWR, Harney Co., 1 immature 21-22 September 2012 (photos by PSu,TB,AC);
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron 203-04-01	Otter Crest, Lincoln Co., 1 adult on 14 April 2004 (photo by ARV);

Piping Plover 277-12-03	South Jetty Siuslaw River, Lane Co., 1 bird on 20 August 2012 (DSt);	025.1-73-02	65-165NM West of Newport, Lincoln Co., 1 bird during June 1973 (photograph MWP);
Spotted Redshank 253.2-12-02	Fern Ridge Reservoir, Lane Co., 1 breeding plumaged bird 4-6 July 2012 RRo, photos by BUh, DAR);	White-winged Dove 319-12-24	Brookings, Curry Co., 1 bird 21 August 2012 (JSu, photos by SBy)
Hudsonian Godwit 251-12-22	South Jetty Columbia River, Clatsop Co., 1 breeding plumaged male on 2 July 2012 (JoB);	Common Ground-Dove 329-12-03	Cape Blanco, Curry Co., 1 bird 17-18 September 2012 (photographs OS,LoM);
Red-necked Stint 242.2-12-23	S. Jetty Siuslaw R., Lane Co., 1 bird on 23 July 2012 (photos by AC, LuB);	Yellow-billed Cuckoo 387-09-22	Sandy River Delta, Multnomah Co., 1 calling bird on 22 July 2009 (JaW);
Curlew Sandpiper 244-12-24	Heceta Beach, Lane Co., 1 adult in partial breeding plumage 14 August 2012 (photo by TMi);	Ruby-throated Hummingbird 428-12-05	Hart Mountain, Lake Co., 1 adult male on 1 June 2012 (photos JSh);
Red-legged Kittiwake 041-12-09	Near Yachats, Lincoln Co., 1 bird dead on beach 9 June 2012 (photos by AJJ, PSp);	Crested Caracara 362-12-07	Langlois, Curry Co., 1 bird on 1 December 2012 (photo LoM)
Little Gull 060.1-12-14	Summer Lake WMA, Lake Co., 1 bird on 12 August 2012 (TR);	362-12-08	Chemult, Klamath Co., 1 bird on 13 September 2012 (KaR, TSe);
Vega Herring Gull 052-93-04	Sauvie Island, Multnomah Co., 1 adult 10 January to 27 March 1993 (photos by HN)	Eastern Phoebe 456-12-20	Airlie, Polk Co., 1 bird on 1 June 2012 (WT, photos OS, NSt, BrW)
Iceland Gull 043-11-18	Yaquina Bay, Lincoln Co., first cycle bird on 26 April 2011 (photos by WH);	Wood Thrush 755-12-04	Whiskey Springs, Jefferson Co., 1 bird on 21 September 2012 (DSu);
Black Skimmer 080-02-02	Coos Bay, Coos Co., 1 bird on 29 April 2002 (BCe);	Brown Thrasher 706-12-30	Port Orford, Curry Co., 1 bird on 25 May 2012 (photo by LoM);
Guadalupe Murrelet (formerly Xantus's Murrelet) 025.1-01-01	163.5NM west of Cape Arago, Coos Co., 1 bird on 20 October 2001 (photos by MiF);	Phainopepla 620-12-08	Emigrant Lake, Jackson Co., 1 immature 4-6 December 2012 (photos HFu, GoP, TPh);

McCown's Longspur 539-12-08	Borax Lake, Harney Co., 1 bird on 19 October 2012 (NST);	Little Bunting 602-13-01	Joseph, Wallowa Co., 1 bird 28-29 January, also March, 2013 (AC, photos by CTu, TBr);
Hooded Warbler 684-12-18	Astoria, Clatsop Co., 1 male 31 December 2012 to 10 January 2013 (photos by MP, MLu);	Summer Tanager 610-12-21	Headquarters Malheur NWR, Harney Co., 1 breeding plumaged male 10-11 June 2012 (photos by AC, DwP);
Cape May Warbler 650-12-16	Frenchglen, Harney Co., 1 bird on 13 May 2012 (photos by TaA,ErC)	Blue Grosbeak 597-11-12	Crissey Field State Park, Curry Co., 1 female on 30 June 2011 (DMu);
Blackburnian Warbler 662-04-12	Tillamook Bay, Tillamook Co., 1 juvenile on 18 September 2004 (WG);	Painted Bunting 601-12-06	Bandon, Coos Co., 1 female early March 2012 (photos (MAy);
Black-throated Green Warbler 667-12-16	Fields, Harney Co., 1 breeding plumaged male on 29 May 2012 (VTh,CM,AC,OS,RRo);	601-92-07	Harbor, Curry Co., 1 female on 24 November 1992 (photos by AB);
667-12-17	Fields, Harney Co., 1 bird 6-8 June 2012 (photos by AC,JeS);	Dickcissel 604-12-17	Fenk Road, Tillamook Co., 1 bird on 12 November 2012 (photos by SuN);
Cassin's Sparrow 578-12-01	Floras Lake, Curry Co., 1 bird 10-11 October 2012 (photos by LoM,OS,RuN);	604-11-18	Nestucca Bay NWR, Tillamook Co., 1 bird on 10 September 2011 (photos by JHu);
Lark Bunting 605-12-24	Fields, Harney Co., 1 breeding plumaged male 15 May 2012 (RaW);	Rusty Blackbird 509-12-22	Ashland, Jackson Co., 1 female on 26 December 2012 (photos by RuN);
605-12-25	Cape Blanco, Curry Co., 1 winter plumaged bird 27 August 2012 (LoM);	Orchard Oriole 506-12-12	Page Springs Campground, Harney Co., 1 male on 8 June 2012 (photos by HFu, GoP);
Red Fox Sparrow 585-12-10	Brookings, Curry Co., 1 bird 16-18 March 2012 photo (SCh);	506-12-13	Headquarters Malheur NWR, Harney Co., 1 male on 17 June 2012 (photos by AdH).
585-13-11	Heceta Beach, Lane Co., 1 bird on 7 January 2013 (photo by Diane Pettey)	Baltimore Oriole 507-12-16	Headquarters Malheur NWR, Harney Co., 1 summer plumaged male 22 August 2012 (BrG);
Gray-headed Junco 569-12-04	Pueblo Mountains, Harney Co., two birds on 14 June 2012 (AdH);		

507-12-17 Brookings, Curry Co., 1 adult male 22 August 2012 (photo by DMu);

Lawrence's Goldfinch
531-12-12 Klamath Falls, Klamath Co., 1 breeding plumaged male on 12 April 2012 (photos by MES);

Not Accepted Records:

Hawaiian/Galapagos Petrel
098.5/6-11-03 40mi. W. Reedsport, Douglas Co., 1 bird on 24 August 2011. Although reported by an experienced observer the bird was seen in rather poor weather conditions and important identification details were lacking.

Rusty Blackbird
509-05-20 Enterprise, Wallowa Co., 1 bird on 15 January 2005. Description brief and did not eliminate similar species.

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