

24 August 2020

CHEP Bird Monitoring Narrative
Bancroft Woods

Dates Monitored:

05 June 2020

24 June 2020

Attendees:

Peter Morrow Meyer

Glenn Lower

This is my second season recording the bird data for this transect and the third participating in the study. We observed on two Friday mornings this year both similar in temperature, cloud cover and wind conditions and as with the previous two seasons we have accessed transects from Rte 17 and recorded from Point 5 to Point 1.

The overall variety of species closely mirrored the past two years with few exceptions. There were no sightings, bird calls or songs that we would consider unusual for the area at this time of the year.

As with the past two years there was a majority of the vireos (Red-eyed and Blue-headed) as well as Eastern Wood Pewee and some of the common area nesting warblers – Black-throated Blue, Green and Ovenbird. We did hear some things that were not on our list in 2019 - White-Throated Sparrow, a fly-over of a pair of Wild Turkey, a Catbird, a Common yellowthroat and a Pileated woodpecker. Both Glenn and I both noted a rather low number of Veery, Wood and Hermit Thrush this season in our observations.

We hiked beyond the first transept point to the edge of the upper meadow and there we heard/saw some Indigo Buntings, several Redstarts and what we believed to be a female Eastern Meadowlark – but were unable to positively identify this due to a fleeting view leaving a tree branch.

Peter Morrow Meyer
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