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[the-village-birders] 3/22/2021 walk at Halpata Tastanaki Preserve Pruitt Trail

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What a day!

I arrived at Halpata Tastanaki in the gloomy morning drizzle. Our intrepid group of 9 headed out in spite of the weather.

"It will clear up any minute", we kept repeating. Not deterred - rain or shine we would find birds!

We saw some wonderful birds: Paul (Mr. Sparrow, himself) charmed up Field and Swamp Sparrows for us. Mark called a Northern Harrier flying. A couple of Swallow-Tailed Kites were flying very high. As we returned to our cars at 10:08, exactly, 14 STKIs flew in from the east and dispersed in all directions, flying low.. As I was leaving I saw a Peregrine Falcon perched on a snag and stopped to get a couple of pictures. Mark continued on and probably got more birds than the rest of us did.

Thank you, birders, for showing up and making MY day! Sometimes if you expect only a little you get so much more!

Only pix I got were the STKIs and Peregrine Falcon:







In the end we tallied 36 species. Bird checklist below. If you have any additions email me.

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WATERFOWL		CORM, ANH, PELS		RAILS, CRANES		GULLS, TERNS	
BI-bel Whistling-Duck		D-crested Cormorant		Yellow Rail		Pomarine Jaeger	
Fulv. Whistling-Duck		Anhinga		Black Rail		Parasitic Jaeger	
Snow Goose		Amer. White Pelican		Clapper Rail		Bonaparte's Gull	
Ross's Goose		Brown Pelican		King Rail		Laughing Gull	
Canada Goose				Virginia Rail		Ring-billed Gull	
Egyptian Goose		WADERS		Sora		Herring Gull	
Muscovy Duck		American Bittern		Purple Swamphen		Lr. Black-backed Gull	
Wood Duck	Х	Least Bittern		Purple Gallinule		Gr. Black-backed Gull	
Gadwall		Great Blue Heron	Х	Common Gallinule	Х	Least Tern	
Eurasian Wigeon		Great Egret	X	American Coot	X	Gull-billed Tern	
American Wigeon		Snowy Egret		Limpkin		Caspian Tern	
Mallard		Little Blue Heron	Х	Sandhill Crane		Common Tern	
Mottled Duck		Tricolored Heron		Whooping Crane		Forster's Tern	
Blue-winged Teal		Reddish Egret		Wildeping crane		Royal Tern	
Northern Shoveler		Cattle Egret		SHOREBIRDS		Sandwich Tern	
Northern Pintail		Green Heron		Black-necked Stilt		Black Skimmer	1
Green-winged Teal		B-crown. Night-Heron		American Avocet		Black Skilline	
Canvasback		Y-crown. Night-Heron		Amer. Oystercatcher		DOVES, CUCKOOS	
Redhead		White Ibis	Х	Black-bellied Plover		Rock Pigeon	
Ring-necked Duck		Glossy Ibis	X	Am. Golden-Plover		Eur. Collared-Dove	
Lesser Scaup		Roseate Spoonbill		Snowy Plover		White-winged Dove	-
White-winged Scoter		Roseate Spoonbiii		Wilson's Plover		Com. Ground-Dove	
Black Scoter		RAPTORS		Semipalmated Plover		Mourning Dove	X
Long-tailed Duck		Black Vulture		Piping Plover		Yellow-billed Cuckoo	
Bufflehead		Turkey Vulture	Х	Killdeer		Tellow-billed Cuckoo	
Common Goldeneye		,	^			OWLS	
		Osprey	Х	Spotted Sandpiper			
Hooded Merganser		Swallow-tailed Kite Snail Kite	^	Solitary Sandpiper		Barn Owl	1
Common Merganser				Greater Yellowlegs		Eastern Screech-Owl	1
R-breast. Merganser		Mississippi Kite		Willet		Great Horned Owl	
Ruddy Duck		Bald Eagle	V	Lesser Yellowlegs		Burrowing Owl	
		Northern Harrier	Х	Whimbrel		Barred Owl	
QUAIL, TURKEY		Sharp-shinned Hawk		Marbled Godwit		Short-eared Owl	
Northern Bobwhite		Cooper's Hawk		Ruddy Turnstone		NICHT ADOD WING	
Wild Turkey		Red-shouldered Hawk		Red Knot		NIGHT, APOD, KING	-
		Broad-winged Hawk		Stilt Sandpiper		Common Nighthawk	
LOONS, GREBES		Short-tailed Hawk		Sanderling		Chimney Swift	
Common Loon	1	Swainson's Hawk		Dunlin		R-throated Hummer	
Pied-billed Grebe	X	Red-tailed Hawk		Purple Sandpiper		B-chinned Hummer	-
Horned Grebe				Least Sandpiper		Belted Kingfisher	1
	1			Semipalm. Sandpiper			1
STORK,FRIG,GANN	1			Western Sandpiper			1
Wood Stork	X			Shrt-billed Dowitcher			
Magnif. Frigatebird				Long-billed Dowitcher			1
Brown Booby				Wilson's Snipe	Х		1
Northern Gannet		1	1	American Woodcock	1	i	1

	CORVID, SWALLOW	1	•		t	
	Blue Jay	Х	Ovenbird		Eastern Towhee	
Х	Florida Scrub-Jay		Worm-eating Warbler		Bachman's Sparrow	
	American Crow	Х	LouisianaWaterthrush		Amer. Tree Sparrow	
Χ	Fish Crow		Northern Waterthrush		Chipping Sparrow	
	Purple Martin		Blue-winged Warbler		Field Sparrow	X
	Tree Swallow	Х	Blk-and-wht Warbler		Vesper Sparrow	
	N. R-winged Swallow		Prothonotary Warbler		Savannah Sparrow	
	Cliff Swallow		Tennessee Warbler		Gr'hopper Sparrow	
	Barn Swallow		Or-crowned Warbler		Le Conte's Sparrow	
			Kentucky Warbler		Nelson's Sparrow	
	PARIDS, HATCHES		Com. Yellowthroat		Seaside Sparrow	
Х	Carolina Chickadee		Hooded Warbler		'	
	Tufted Titmouse	Х	American Redstart		Lincoln's Sparrow	
Χ	R-breasted Nuthatch		Cape May Warbler		Swamp Sparrow	Х
	Brn-headed Nuthatch		Cerulean Warbler		Wh-throated Sparrow	
			Northern Parula	Х	Wh-crowned Sparrow	
	WREN GNAT KING		Magnolia Warbler		·	
	House Wren		Blackburnian Warbler		TANS,GROS,BUNTS	
	Sedge Wren		Yellow Warbler			
	Marsh Wren		Chest-sided Warbler		Scarlet Tanager	
	Carolina Wren	Х	Blackpoll Warbler		Northern Cardinal	Х
Х	Bl-gray Gnatcatcher		Blk-thr. Blue Warbler		R-breasted Grosbeak	
	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Х	Palm Warbler	Х	Blue Grosbeak	
			Pine Warbler		Indigo Bunting	
	THRUSH, MIMICS		Yel-rumped Warbler	Х	Painted Bunting	
	Eastern Bluebird		Yel-throated Warbler			
	Veery		Prairie Warbler		ICTERIDS	
	Gray-cheeked Thrush		Bl-thr. Green Warbler		Bobolink	
	Swainson's Thrush		Yellow-breasted Chat		Red-winged Blackbird	X
	Hermit Thrush				Eastern Meadowlark	
	Wood Thrush				Common Grackle	
	American Robin	Х			Boat-tailed Grackle	Х
	Gray Catbird				Bronzed Cowbird	
	Brown Thrasher				Brn-headed Cowbird	
	Northern Mockingbird	Х			Orchard Oriole	
	_				Baltimore Oriole	
	STAR, PIP, WWING					
	European Starling				FINCHES, WEAVER	
	Common Hill Myna				House Finch	
	American Pipit				American Goldfinch	X
	Cedar Waxwing	Χ			House Sparrow	
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					TOTAL SPECIES	
					36	
	X	X Fish Crow Purple Martin Tree Swallow N. R-winged Swallow Cliff Swallow Barn Swallow PARIDS, HATCHES X Carolina Chickadee Tufted Titmouse X R-breasted Nuthatch Brn-headed Nuthatch Brn-headed Nuthatch WREN GNAT KING House Wren Sedge Wren Marsh Wren Carolina Wren X Bl-gray Gnatcatcher Ruby-crowned Kinglet THRUSH, MIMICS Eastern Bluebird Veery Gray-cheeked Thrush Swainson's Thrush Hermit Thrush Wood Thrush American Robin Gray Catbird Brown Thrasher Northern Mockingbird STAR, PIP, WWING European Starling Common Hill Myna American Pipit	X Fish Crow Purple Martin Tree Swallow N. R-winged Swallow Cliff Swallow Barn Swallow PARIDS, HATCHES X Carolina Chickadee Tufted Titmouse X R-breasted Nuthatch Brn-headed Nuthatch Brn-headed Nuthatch WREN GNAT KING House Wren Sedge Wren Marsh Wren Carolina Wren X Bl-gray Gnatcatcher Ruby-crowned Kinglet X THRUSH, MIMICS Eastern Bluebird Veery Gray-cheeked Thrush Swainson's Thrush Hermit Thrush Wood Thrush American Robin X Gray Catbird Brown Thrasher Northern Mockingbird X STAR, PIP, WWING European Starling Common Hill Myna American Pipit	X Fish Crow	X Fish Crow	X Fish Crow