

March 28, 2018 – Kensington Metropark

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Twelve Wednesday Warriors descended on Kensington Metropark March 28, and were rewarded with many fine birds. The highlights had to be two Barred Owls calling to each other. We were able to observe both of them flying from tree to tree as well. We had the same luck with Pileated Woodpeckers. The waterfowl was present in numbers and variety, offering us a chance to study the finer points of the similar species. Many Ring-necked Ducks and Redheads were a treat as well as the six Common Loons. Of course, Sandhill Cranes were virtually under foot. A total of 53 species was seen by group members, not a bad catch for March at one park.

Canada Goose  
Mute Swan  
Wood Duck  
Blue-winged Teal  
Gadwall  
American Wigeon  
American Black Duck  
Mallard  
Canvasback  
Redhead  
Ring-necked Duck  
Lesser Scaup  
Bufflehead  
Common Goldeneye  
Hooded Merganser  
Common Merganser  
Red-br. Merganser  
Ruddy Duck  
Common Loon  
Pied-billed Grebe  
Great Blue Heron  
Sharp-shinned Hawk  
Red-tailed Hawk  
American Coot  
Sandhill Crane  
Killdeer  
Ring-billed Gull  
Rock Pigeon  
Mourning Dove  
Barred Owl  
Belted Kingfisher  
Red-bellied

Woodpecker  
Downy Woodpecker  
Northern Flicker  
Pileated Woodpecker  
Blue Jay  
American Crow  
Tree Swallow  
Chickadee  
Tufted Titmouse  
White-breasted  
Nuthatch  
Brown Creeper  
Eastern Bluebird  
American Robin  
European Starling  
Dark-eyed Junco  
Song Sparrow  
Northern Cardinal  
Red-winged Blackbird  
Cowbird  
Common Grackle  
House Finch