

## Rocky Point Bird Observatory Check-list (July 2006 edition)

### DUCKS, GEESE, and SWANS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Greater White-fronted Goose
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Emperor Goose*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Snow Goose
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Cackling Goose*
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Canada Goose**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Brant
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mute Swan
- \_\_\_\_\_ Trumpeter Swan
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Tundra Swan*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Wood Duck*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Gadwall
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Eurasian Wigeon* [sr]
- \_\_\_\_\_ American Wigeon
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Mallard**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Blue-winged Teal
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Cinnamon Teal*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Shoveler
- \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Pintail
- \_\_\_\_\_ Green-winged Teal
- \_\_\_\_\_ Canvasback
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ring-necked Duck
- \_\_\_\_\_ Greater Scaup
- \_\_\_\_\_ Lesser Scaup
- \_\_\_\_\_ Harlequin Duck
- \_\_\_\_\_ Surf Scoter
- \_\_\_\_\_ White-winged Scoter
- \_\_\_\_\_ Black Scoter
- \_\_\_\_\_ Long-tailed Duck
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bufflehead
- \_\_\_\_\_ Common Goldeneye
- \_\_\_\_\_ Barrow's Goldeneye
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hooded Merganser
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Common Merganser**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Red-breasted Merganser

### PHEASANT, GROUSE

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Ring-necked Pheasant**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Ruffed Grouse** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Sooty Grouse**

### NEW WORLD QUAIL

- \_\_\_\_\_ **California Quail** +

### LOONS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Red-throated Loon
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pacific Loon
- \_\_\_\_\_ Common Loon
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Yellow-billed Loon*

### GREBES

- \_\_\_\_\_ Pied-billed Grebe
- \_\_\_\_\_ Horned Grebe
- \_\_\_\_\_ Red-necked Grebe
- \_\_\_\_\_ Eared Grebe
- \_\_\_\_\_ Western Grebe

### ALBATROSSES

- \_\_\_\_\_ *Black-footed Albatross*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Short-tailed Albatross*

### SHEARWATERS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Fulmar
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Pink-footed Shearwater*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Buller's Shearwater*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sooty Shearwater
- \_\_\_\_\_ Short-tailed Shearwater
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Manx Shearwater*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Black-vented Shearwater*

### STORM-PETRELS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel
- \_\_\_\_\_ Leach's Storm-Petrel

### PELICANS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Brown Pelican

### CORMORANTS

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Brandt's Cormorant**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Double-crested Cormorant
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Red-faced Cormorant* [sr]
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Pelagic Cormorant**

### BITTERNS, HERONS and

### ALLIES

- \_\_\_\_\_ Great Blue Heron
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Great Egret* [sr]
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Cattle Egret* [sr]
- \_\_\_\_\_ Green Heron

### NEW WORLD VULTURES

- \_\_\_\_\_ Turkey Vulture

### HAWKS AND EAGLES

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Osprey**
- \_\_\_\_\_ *White-tailed Kite*
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Bald Eagle**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Harrier +
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sharp-shinned Hawk +
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cooper's Hawk +
- \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Goshawk
- \_\_\_\_\_ Broad-winged Hawk
- \_\_\_\_\_ Swainson's Hawk
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Red-tailed Hawk**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Rough-legged Hawk
- \_\_\_\_\_ Golden Eagle

### FALCONS

- \_\_\_\_\_ American Kestrel
- \_\_\_\_\_ Merlin
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Gyr Falcon*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Peregrine Falcon
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Prairie Falcon* [sr]

### RAILS AND COOTS

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Virginia Rail** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sora +
- \_\_\_\_\_ American Coot

### CRANES

- \_\_\_\_\_ Sandhill Crane

### PLOVERS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Black-bellied Plover
- \_\_\_\_\_ *American Golden-Plover*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Pacific Golden-Plover*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Semipalmated Plover
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Killdeer**

### OYSTERCATCHERS

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Black Oystercatcher**

### SANDPIPERS, PHALAROPES and ALLIES

- \_\_\_\_\_ Spotted Sandpiper
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Solitary Sandpiper*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wandering Tattler
- \_\_\_\_\_ Greater Yellowlegs
- \_\_\_\_\_ Lesser Yellowlegs
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Upland Sandpiper*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Whimbrel
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Long-billed Curlew*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Bar-tailed Godwit*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Marbled Godwit*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ruddy Turnstone

- \_\_\_\_\_ Black Turnstone
- \_\_\_\_\_ Surfbird
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Red Knot*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sanderling
- \_\_\_\_\_ Semipalmated Sandpiper +
- \_\_\_\_\_ Western Sandpiper +
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Little Stint* [sr]
- \_\_\_\_\_ Least Sandpiper
- \_\_\_\_\_ Baird's Sandpiper
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pectoral Sandpiper
- \_\_\_\_\_ Rock Sandpiper
- \_\_\_\_\_ Dunlin
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Stilt Sandpiper*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Buff-breasted Sandpiper* [sr]
- \_\_\_\_\_ Short-billed Dowitcher
- \_\_\_\_\_ Long-billed Dowitcher
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wilson's Snipe
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Wilson's Phalarope*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Red-necked Phalarope
- \_\_\_\_\_ Red Phalarope

### SKUAS, GULLS, TERNS

- \_\_\_\_\_ *South Polar Skua*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pomarine Jaeger
- \_\_\_\_\_ Parasitic Jaeger
- \_\_\_\_\_ Long-tailed Jaeger
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Franklin's Gull*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Little Gull*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Black-headed Gull* [sr]
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bonaparte's Gull
- \_\_\_\_\_ Heermann's Gull
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mew Gull
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ring-billed Gull
- \_\_\_\_\_ California Gull
- \_\_\_\_\_ Herring Gull
- \_\_\_\_\_ Thayer's Gull
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Iceland Gull*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Western Gull
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Glaucous-winged Gull** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Glaucous Gull* [sr]
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Sabine's Gull*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Black-legged Kittiwake
- \_\_\_\_\_ Caspian Tern
- \_\_\_\_\_ Common Tern
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Arctic Tern*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Forster's Tern* [sr]

### ALCIDS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Common Murre
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Pigeon Guillemot**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Marbled Murrelet
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ancient Murrelet
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cassin's Auklet
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Crested Auklet*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Rhinoceros Auklet
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tufted Puffin

### PIGEONS AND DOVES

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Rock Pigeon**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Band-tailed Pigeon**
- \_\_\_\_\_ *White-winged Dove*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mourning Dove

### BARN OWLS

- \_\_\_\_\_ *Barn Owl*

### TYPICAL OWLS

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Western Screech-Owl**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Great Horned Owl**

- \_\_\_\_\_ *Snowy Owl*
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Northern Pygmy-Owl** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Burrowing Owl*
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Barred Owl** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Long-eared Owl*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Short-eared Owl*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Saw-whet Owl +

### NIGHTJARS

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Common Nighthawk** +

### SWIFTS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Black Swift
- \_\_\_\_\_ Vaux's Swift

### HUMMINGBIRDS

- \_\_\_\_\_ *Anna's Hummingbird* +
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Calliope Hummingbird* +
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Rufous Hummingbird** +

### KINGFISHERS

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Belted Kingfisher** +

### WOODPECKERS and ALLIES

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Lewis's Woodpecker** [X]
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Red-naped Sapsucker*
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Red-breasted Sapsucker** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Downy Woodpecker** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Hairy Woodpecker** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Northern Flicker** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Pileated Woodpecker** +

### TYRANT FLYCATCHERS

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Olive-sided Flycatcher** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Western Wood-Pewee** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Willow Flycatcher** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Least Flycatcher*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hammond's Flycatcher +
- \_\_\_\_\_ Dusky Flycatcher +
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Pacific-slope Flycatcher** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Eastern Phoebe* [sr]
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Say's Phoebe*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Ash-throated Flycatcher*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Tropical Kingbird*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Western Kingbird* +
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Eastern Kingbird*

### SHRIKES

- \_\_\_\_\_ *Northern Shrike* +

### VIREOS

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Cassin's Vireo** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Hutton's Vireo** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Warbling Vireo** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Red-eyed Vireo*

### JAYS AND CROWS

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Steller's Jay** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Blue Jay* +
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Clark's Nutcracker*
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Northwestern Crow**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Common Raven**

### LARKS

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Sky Lark** [X]
- \_\_\_\_\_ Horned Lark

### SWALLOWS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Purple Martin
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tree Swallow
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Violet-green Swallow** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Northern Rough-winged Swallow** +
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Bank Swallow*
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Cliff Swallow** +

\_\_\_\_\_ Barn Swallow +  
**CHICKADEES**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Chestnut-backed  
 Chickadee+  
**LONG-TAILED TITS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bushy +  
**NUTHATCHES**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Red-breasted Nuthatch +  
**CREEPERS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Brown Creeper +  
**WRENS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Rock Wren  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bewick's Wren +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ House Wren +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Winter Wren +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Marsh Wren +  
**KINGLETS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Golden-crowned Kinglet +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Ruby-crowned Kinglet +  
**GNATCATCHERS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher +  
**THRUSHES**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Western Bluebird [X]  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Mountain Bluebird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Townsend's Solitaire  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Swainson's Thrush +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Hermit Thrush +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Robin +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Varied Thrush +  
**MIMIDAE**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Gray Catbird +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Mockingbird [sr]  
**STARLINGS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ European Starling +

**WAGTAILS and PIPITS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ "yellow" wagtail sp. [sr]  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Red-throated Pipit  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Pipit  
**WAXWINGS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Cedar Waxwing +  
**WOOD-WARBLEDERS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Tennessee Warbler [sr]  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Orange-crowned Warbler +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Nashville Warbler +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Parula +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow Warbler +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow-rumped Warbler +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Black-throated Gray  
 Warbler +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Townsend's Warbler +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Pine Warbler [sr]  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Palm Warbler +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Blackpoll Warbler [sr]  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Black-and-white  
 Warbler [sr]  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Redstart +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Waterthrush +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Mourning Warbler +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ MacGillivray's Warbler +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Common Yellowthroat +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Wilson's Warbler +  
**TANAGERS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Western Tanager +  
**EMBERIZIDS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Spotted Towhee +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Chipping Sparrow +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Clay-colored Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Vesper Sparrow [sr]

\_\_\_\_\_ Savannah Sparrow +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Fox Sparrow +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Song Sparrow +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lincoln's Sparrow +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Swamp Sparrow +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ White-throated Sparrow+  
 \_\_\_\_\_ White-crowned Sparrow +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Golden-crowned Sparrow +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Dark-eyed Junco +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lapland Longspur +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Snow Bunting  
**CARDINALIDS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Rose-breasted Grosbeak +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Black-headed Grosbeak +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lazuli Bunting +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Dickcissel [sr]  
**BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bobolink +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Red-winged Blackbird +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Western Meadowlark  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow-headed Blackbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Rusty Blackbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Brewer's Blackbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Brown-headed Cowbird +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bullock's Oriole  
**FINCHES, CROSSBILLS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Purple Finch +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ House Finch +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Red Crossbill +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ White-winged Crossbill  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Common Redpoll [sr]  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Pine Siskin +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Goldfinch +  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Grosbeak

**OLD WORLD SPARROWS**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ House Sparrow +

## 299 Species

### KEY:

Highlighted species indicate confirmed or suspected breeding on site (or now 'X' extirpated, e.g. Sky Lark, Western Bluebird, Lewis's Woodpecker, but note vagrancy still possible).

Breeding species total - 87.

A '+' symbol indicates species banded or mist-netted (97).

*Italicized* indicates accidental status, with less than 10 records.

A '[sr]' symbol indicates a single observer, well-documented sight record that requires verification by photo or second observer.

Taxonomy follows the American Ornithologists' Union "Check-list of North American Birds", 7<sup>th</sup> edition, 47<sup>th</sup> supplement (July 2006).

The checklist area is defined as: the grounds of the Department of National Defence Rocky Point Ammunition Depot and the waters offshore to the international boundary, and includes Race Rocks.

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A detailed bar-graph version of this check-list is now available for \$3. Contact David Allinson at passerine@shaw.ca for more information.

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