



Hello Birders!

THANK-YOU for joining the 2017 Leavenworth Christmas Bird Count on Saturday, December 16th. This will be the 17th official count for Leavenworth and the 118th year for the National Audubon Society. The center of our count circle is the Peshastin Bridge. Protocol is the same as in past years:

1. Record every bird seen or heard in your assigned area on your count day. Because the CBC is monitoring birds in the non-breeding season (and most species in North America are not singing) the use of playback and attractant noises is permitted.
2. Try to cover your assigned route as thoroughly as possible during daylight hours. If you need a detailed map and directions for your section, please contact me and I'll send you the info.
3. Be sure to total time and miles by car and foot.
4. Birds tallied by observers in the field during daylight are counted separately from nocturnal/owling birders and those observing at feeders. Please record your feeder birds and hours separately.
5. If you decide to scout your route, know that any species seen during "count week", but not on Saturday, is recorded as well, so report any unusual bird you spot three days before and after the 16th. If you think they might be listed as rare, try to take a photo of the bird.

Due to the huge Christmas Lighting Festival crowds in Leavenworth last year, we have changed the meeting place to the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery off Icicle Road for 2017. There is plenty of parking and easy access via E. Leavenworth and Icicle Roads. The Visitors Center will be available starting at 4:00 PM. If you can't make it to the fish hatchery, please e-mail lists to design@thedesignranch.com.

Route Leaders are listed below:

1. Eagle Creek - Mary & Tim Gallagher
2. Cashmere - Dan Stephens
3. Dempsey Hill - Heather Murphy
4. East Leavenworth Road - Brook Hinton, Joe Verveka
5. North Road - Ken Hemberry, Debbie Sutherland
6. Downtown & Waterfront Park - Jeff Parsons
7. Blewett Pass - Denise Bayuszik, Julie & Clint Lougheed
8. Chumstick - Andrew Holmes
9. Dryden & Canyons - Gail Roberts, Tim Abel
10. Icicle Road - Gretchen Rohde, Neal Hedges
11. Tumwater Canyon & North Leavenworth - Devon Comstock, Mark Johnson

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