

**Vaseux Lake Christmas Bird Count
20 December 2025**

22 observers in 10 to 13 parties, 77 party-hours. Weather relatively warm; 0 to 7C, south wind on Skaha Lake; all lakes ice-free in valley bottom, no snow below 1000 m. Observers: David Bell, Michael Bezener, Alex Boddin, Tim Bouwmeester, Dick Cannings, Siobhan Darlington, Robin DeYoung, Eva Durance, Megan Francisco, Ron Hayman, Jason Jones, Ryan Lapointe, Christine Lapointe, Matthew Lowery, Kristen Mancuso, Leanne McDonald, Doreen Olson, Lila Tauzer, Grant Thompson

Canada Goose	442	Great Horned Owl	4
Trumpeter Swan	82	Anna's Hummingbird	2
Wood Duck	12	Belted Kingfisher	9
Gadwall	75	Downy Woodpecker	16
American Wigeon	122	Hairy Woodpecker	16
Mallard	577	Am. 3-toed Woodpecker	1
Green-winged Teal	8	Northern (R.-s.) Flicker	136
Northern Pintail	1	Pileated Woodpecker	5
Redhead	190	American Kestrel	9
Ring-necked Duck	339	Peregrine Falcon	1
Greater Scaup	76	Northern Shrike	8
Lesser Scaup	50	Canada Jay	2
Bufflehead	386	Steller's Jay	24
Common Goldeneye	83	Black-billed Magpie	43
Barrow's Goldeneye	74	Clark's Nutcracker	14
Com. X Barr. Goldeneye	1	American Crow	49
Hooded Merganser	108	Common Raven	101
Common Merganser	554	Black-capped Chickadee	186
Red-breasted Merganser	4	Mountain Chickadee	80
Ruddy Duck	1	Red-breasted Nuthatch	105
Ring-necked Pheasant	3	White-breasted Nuthatch	16
California Quail	1585	Pygmy Nuthatch	183
Dusky Grouse	1	Canyon Wren	23
Ruffed Grouse	1	Pacific Wren	3
Chukar	1	Bewick's Wren	12
Gray Partridge	1	Marsh Wren	10
Pied-billed Grebe	21	American Dipper	4
Horned Grebe	100	Golden-crowned Kinglet	13
Red-necked Grebe	15	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	3
Western Grebe	1	Western Bluebird	112
Pacific Loon	1	Townsend's Solitaire	10
Common Loon	12	American Robin	266
Great Blue Heron	7	Varied Thrush	1
Northern Harrier	3	European Starling	771
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1	Cedar Waxwing	20
Cooper's Hawk	5	Yellow-rumped Warbler	1
Accipiter sp.	1	Dark-eyed (S-c) Junco	1
Bald Eagle: adult	16	Dark-eyed (Ore) Junco	276
immature	8	White-crowned Sparrow	12
Red-tailed Hawk	32	White-throated Sparrow	2
Rough-legged Hawk	2	Song Sparrow	95
Golden Eagle adult	2	Spotted Towhee	2
immature	1	Red-winged Blackbird	82
Virginia Rail	5	Evening Grosbeak	11
Sora	1	House Finch	269
American Coot	247	Cassin's Finch	2
Am. Herring Gull	2	Red Crossbill	73
Glaucous-winged Gull	2	Pine Siskin	14
AH x GW Gull	1	American Goldfinch	84
GW x W. Gull	1	House Sparrow	438
gull sp.	5		
Rock Pigeon	128	Total individuals	9099
Eurasian Collared-Dove	80	Total Species	96
Western Screech-Owl	2		