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	CN/DW/CR/CS/ GD/GF	PE/GS/BO/SS/AW/ JS/RG/JS/CS/MM	LB/TB		
<b>Loons</b>					
Red-throated Loon					
Pacific Loon		1		1	
Common Loon	17	45	8	70	
Yellow-billed Loon					
<b>Grebes</b>					
Pied-billed Grebe					
Eared Grebe			1	1	Laurel identified it using binoculars and also conferred on the next
Horned Grebe	21	34	1	56	
Red-necked Grebe	7	53		60	
Western Grebe					
<b>Cormorants</b>					
Double-crested Cormorant	2	13		15	
Brandt's Cormorant					
Pelagic Cormorant	14	6		20	
<b>Hérons</b>					
Great Blue Heron	4	11		15	
<b>Swans, Geese</b>					
Tundra Swan					
Greater White-fronted Goose					
Snow Goose					
Brant					
Canada Goose		5		5	Canada geese cull in Smelt Bay in November, 2023
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<b>Ducks</b>					
Wood Duck					
Green-winged Teal		2		2	
Mallard		10		10	
Canvasback					
American Wigeon					
Ring-necked Duck		2		2	
Greater Scaup		54	11	65	
Lesser Scaup		2		2	
Harlequin Duck	45	32		77	
Long-tailed Duck		3		3	
Black Scoter	5			5	
Surf Scoter	270	1122	19	1411	
White-winged Scoter		52		52	
Common Goldeneye	27	6	7	40	
Barrow's Goldeneye	14	42		56	
Bufflehead	43	84	6	133	
Hooded Merganser		2	2	4	
Common Merganser	22	1		23	
Red-breasted Merganser	12	4		16	
<b>Kites, Hawks, Eagles</b>					
Bald Eagle	8	13	1	22	
Golden Eagle					
Northern Harrier					
Sharp-shinned Hawk	CW			CW	
Cooper's Hawk		1		1	
Northern Goshawk					
Red-tailed Hawk	also CW	1		1	

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<b>Falcons, Caracaras</b>					
American Kestrel					
Merlin					
Peregrine Falcon					
<b>Grouse</b>					
Blue Grouse					
<b>Rails</b>					
Virginia Rail					
<b>Plovers</b>					
Black-bellied Plover					
Killdeer		4		4	
Semipalmated Plover	1			1	
<b>Oystercatcher</b>					
Black Oystercatcher	1	20	4	25	
<b>Sandpipers</b>					
Greater Yellowlegs	3			3	
Solitary Sandpiper					
Black Turnstone	also CW	15		15	
Surfbird					
Western Sandpiper					
Rock Sandpiper					
Dunlin					
Wilson's Snipe					
Common Snipe					

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<b>Skuas, Jaegers, Gulls, Terns</b>					
Mew Gull		12		12	
California Gull					
Herring Gull					
Glaucous-winged Gull	25	41	24	90	
Bonaparte's Gull					
Unidentified Gulls					
Western x Glaucous-winged Gull (hybrid)			2	2	
<b>Auks, Puffins</b>					
Common Murre					
Pigeon Guillemot					
Marbled Murrelet	12		1	13	
Ancient Murrelet					
Rhinoceros Auklet					
<b>Pigeons</b>					
Rock Dove					
Eurasian Collared Dove					
<b>Owls</b>					
Western Screech Owl					
Great Horned Owl					
Snowy Owl					
Northern Pigmy Owl		2		2	
Barred Owl	1	also CW		1	
Northern Saw-whet Owl					
<b>Hummingbirds</b>					
Anna's Hummingbird	9	3	2	14	
Rufous Hummingbird					

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<b>Kingfishers</b>					
Belted Kingfisher	4	4	1	9	
<b>Woodpeckers</b>					
Red-breasted Sapsucker	CW			CW	
Downy Woodpecker		1		1	
Hairy Woodpecker	2	3		5	
Northern Flicker	3	7		10	
Pileated Woodpecker		4		4	
<b>Larks, Swallows</b>					
Horned Lark					
Tree Swallow					
Violet-green Swallow					
N. Rough-winged Swallow					
Cliff Swallow					
Barn Swallow					
<b>Jays, Crows, Magpies</b>					
Steller's Jay	also CW	3	4	7	
Northwestern Crow	36	7		43	
Common Raven	2	27	2	31	
<b>Chickadees, Nuthatches, Creepers</b>					
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	68	5		73	
Black-capped Chickadee					
Red-breasted Nuthatch	1	1		2	
Brown Creeper		6		6	

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<b>Wrens</b>					
Bewick's Wren					
House Wren					
Winter Wren	7	32	1	40	
American Dipper	CW			CW	Kelly Wand, gorge marina
<b>Thrushes, Wrentits</b>					
Golden-crowned Kinglet	31	9		40	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet		CW		CW	
American Robin	2			2	
Varied Thrush		3	2	5	
Hermit Thrush		2		2	
<b>Shrikes</b>					
Northern Shrike					
<b>Starlings</b>					
European Starling		45		45	
<b>Vireos</b>					
Hutton's Vireo					
<b>Warblers, Sparrows</b>					
Yellow-rumped Warbler					
Black-throated Gray Warbler					
Spotted Towhee	5	20	7	32	
Fox Sparrow		3	1	4	
Song Sparrow	7	4	4	15	
White-crowned Sparrow					
Golden-crowned Sparrow	1	4		5	
House Sparrow		5		5	
Dark-eyed Junco	48	41	40	129	

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<b>Blackbirds</b>					
Red-winged Blackbird		1		1	
Brown-headed Blackbird					
Brewer's Blackbird		2		2	9 in CW, by Laurel Bohart
<b>Finches</b>					
Purple Finch		1		1	
House Finch		4		4	
Red Crossbill					
Pine Siskin					
Evening Grosbeak					
Pine Grosbeak					
<b>Additional Species!!!!</b>					
<b>Total CW</b>	3	1	0	4	
<b>Total species</b>	36	59	23	71	Total Species incl. CW (in Total column)
				<b>67</b>	
total by areas/observers	780	1942	151	2873	Total this row (excluding CW)
<b>Total Species Observed:</b>				<b>2873</b>	<b>Total this column (excluding CW)</b>
<b>Weather:</b>	<b>Weather:</b> +7, calm, slightly foggy, water not frozen, no wind				
<b>Participants (reporting)</b>	6	10	2		18
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spreadsheet prepared by Gina					
<b>Reported by</b>					
AW - Autumn Willow					
BO - Bill Ophoff					
CN - Chris Napper					
CR - Christine Robinson					
CS/BS - Carrie and Barry Saxifrage					
DW - Dave Warkentin					
GD - Gabriel Dinim					
GF - Gary Fast					
GS - George Sirk					
JS - John Sprungman					
LB - Laurel Bohart					
MM - Mike Manson					
PE - Peter Elliott					
RG - Ralph Garrison					
SS - Samantha Statton					
Christian Gronau was absent, but his birdfeeder was inspected by GS					
<b>Other participants</b>					
Gina Trzesicka					
Lorne Jacobson					
Tom Bohart					
Carolyn Schellenberg					
Amy Robertson					
... and others					
School Children (with Christine Robinson) -- Jacques, Sancho, Mia, Ruben, Forrest, Savannah, Christina					
All participants 21 plus 7 = 28					
Start from 9 am, end -- some around noon, some around to 3 pm					