

Howerton Road for Sparrows

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Five members of the Piedmont Bird Club met at Howerton Road in Greensboro at 8:00 a.m. to look for sparrows and other birds. We birded Howerton Road for three hours before making a forty-minute stop at nearby Baldwin Road. The weather was seasonably cool with increasing breeze.

We managed to see eight species of sparrows: Chipping, Field, White-crowned, White-throated, Vesper, Savannah, Song, and Swamp. Other birds included Northern Harrier, Red-shouldered Hawk, Red-tailed Hawk, American Kestrel, and Sora. The Sora was a nice surprise, calling occasionally from the edge of the larger pond along Howerton Road.

Several other birders arrived a little later and were able to see the sparrows and hear the Sora.

Bird List (46 species):

Canada Goose	Blue Jay	White-throated Sparrow
Rock Pigeon	American Crow	Vesper Sparrow
Mourning Dove	Common Raven	Savannah Sparrow
Sora	White-breasted Nuthatch	Song Sparrow
Killdeer	Carolina Wren	Swamp Sparrow
Black Vulture	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Eastern Towhee
Turkey Vulture	Eastern Bluebird	Eastern Meadowlark
Northern Harrier	American Robin	Red-winged Blackbird
Red-shouldered Hawk	Gray Catbird	Common Grackle
Red-tailed Hawk	Northern Mockingbird	Common Yellowthroat
Belted Kingfisher	European Starling	Palm Warbler
Red-bellied Woodpecker	House Finch	Yellow-rumped Warbler
Downy Woodpecker	American Goldfinch	Northern Cardinal
Pileated Woodpecker	Chipping Sparrow	House Sparrow
Northern Flicker	Field Sparrow	
American Kestrel	White-crowned Sparrow	

Additional Species heard while waiting for others to arrive: Barred Owl, Northern Bobwhite