



Field Trip: Old Bynum Bridge, October 2, 2021

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Saturday, October 2, 2021, Tom & Stella Wear, Roberta Newton, Ann Van Sant, and I did a bird walk at the Old Bynum Bridge. I believe we can say it was a fun and successful walk. We saw or heard 36 bird species.

The warblers were a little slow to get started, but as the sun rose higher and the temperature warmed a bit they became pretty active. The area that seemed to be most active with the warblers was the area nearest the parking area (about 10-15 yards onto the bridge) in trees on both sides of the bridge. There were even some in the trees at the foot of the bridge on the right as you approach the bridge from the parking area.

In addition to the bridge, we also walked the meadow area and some of the short access trails that go to the Haw River. We saw birds there as well, mostly higher in the treetops. Although on the bridge we were closer to the tree canopy, the warblers did their usual thing of rapidly bouncing around the branches, making visual identification and getting photos challenging.

I think we all had a great time.



Northern Parula

Species List

Mourning Dove	Blue Jay
Chimney Swift	American Crow
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Carolina Chickadee
Spotted Sandpiper	Tufted Titmouse
Ring-billed Gull	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
Double-crested Cormorant	Carolina Wren
Great Blue Heron	European Starling
Black Vulture	Gray Catbird
Turkey Vulture	Brown Thrasher
Osprey	Northern Mockingbird
Belted Kingfisher	Eastern Bluebird
Red-bellied Woodpecker	Common Grackle
Downy Woodpecker	Black-and-white Warbler
Pileated Woodpecker	Cape May Warbler
Northern Flicker	Northern Parula
Eastern Phoebe	Blackburnian Warbler
Red-eyed Vireo	Pine Warbler
	Northern Cardinal
	Indigo Bunting (female)

