



## **Tanglewood Park - Yadkin River Nature Trail; 22 April 2026**

*submitted by Jim Gant*

**Trip Coordinator(s):** Pam and Doug DeNeve

**Location:** Tanglewood Park, Clemmons, NC; near Skilpot Lake

**Temperature:** 60's – high 70's

**Weather:** Mostly clear, some clouds

**Target Bird(s), if any:**

**Number of participants:** 13

**Bird List:** Canada Goose, Mallard, Mourning Dove, Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Double-crested Cormorant, Green Heron, Great Blue Heron, Black Vulture, Turkey Vulture, Osprey, Red-shouldered Hawk, Red-tailed Hawk, Barred Owl, Red-bellied Woodpecker, Downy Woodpecker, Hairy Woodpecker, Pileated Woodpecker, Great Crested Flycatcher, Eastern Kingbird, White-eyed Vireo, Blue-headed Vireo, Red-eyed Vireo, Blue Jay, American Crow, Fish Crow, Carolina Chickadee, Tufted Titmouse, Tree Swallow, Purple Martin, Northern Rough-winged Swallow, Ruby-crowned Kinglet, White-breasted Nuthatch, Brown-headed Nuthatch, Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Northern House Wren, Carolina Wren, Gray Catbird, Brown Thrasher, Northern Mockingbird, Eastern Bluebird, Wood Thrush, American Robin, Cedar Waxwing, House Finch, American Goldfinch, Chipping Sparrow, White-throated Sparrow, Swamp Sparrow, Eastern Towhee, Orchard Oriole, Red-winged Blackbird, Brown-headed Cowbird, Common Grackle, Ovenbird, Black-and-white Warbler, Prothonotary Warbler, Common Yellowthroat, Northern Parula, Yellow-rumped Warbler, Yellow-throated Warbler, Scarlet Tanager, Northern Cardinal, Blue grosbeak, Indigo Bunting; **for a total of 64 species.**

**Comments: (such as, notable birds seen, interesting bird or animal behavior, condition of the birding site, participant comments):**

The weather was outstanding for our Bird Walk. Our group of 13 Birdwatchers enjoyed a great experience of seeing and or hearing a total of 64 species. This was the first time that the PBC has visited this trail in recent years. The Yadkin River Nature Trail is located in Tanglewood Park, in Clemmons, NC. It is a mix of open field/meadow areas, old growth forest, wetlands and part of the trail parallel's the Yadkin River. This provided our group with a great variety of birds, recording a total of 64 species. At the start of our Bird Walk we were surprised by a Barred Owl sighting. The Yellow-billed Cuckoo was the first time several in our group had heard this bird this season. It was also good to see and hear the Orchard Oriole, Scarlet Tanager, Blue Grosbeak and the Indigo Bunting. The highlight of the trip at the end was to see the Great Blue Heron Rookery where we saw several nests with adults and chicks. All in all, this was an outstanding birding event. We will definitely put this location on our schedule for future trips.

## Photos for the Yadkin River Trail, 22 April 2026



Orchard Oriole



Red-winged Blackbird



Tree Swallows



Eastern Bluebird



Purple Martins



Tree Swallow



Pileated Woodpecker



Turtles



Eastern Towhee



Red-tailed Hawk



Red-shouldered Hawk



Osprey



Great Blue Heron Rookery



Eastern Kingbird