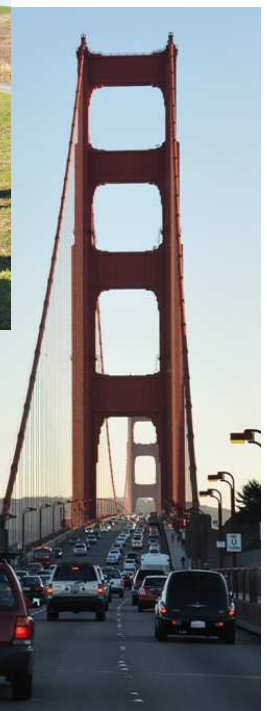
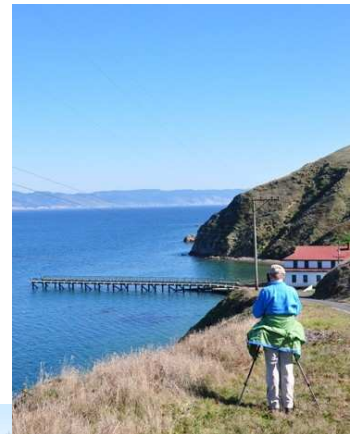


**Quick Overview** – What a glorious day it was up at Point Reyes. No fog, no clouds, just beautiful clear blue skies. Now getting through San Francisco always takes longer than birders would prefer, but the birding north of the city is worth the effort. We started birding along the drive way into the RCA radio towers. Lincoln and crown sparrows were popping out of hiding in addition to the kestrels and bluebirds feeding near. Although no owls were visible here we spent time dissecting an owl pellet. Soon we were off to the Fish Docks and Chimney Rock scanning the trees & the ocean. Loons, basic plumage guillemots, and grebes were the talk of the morning until we found three Great Horned Owls in the trees next to the Ranger's house. Unfortunately the recently reported Prairie Warbler escaped us. From here we decided we'd check out the lighthouse since the coast was clear, but there were too many tourists to allow easy access and we turned around and headed north again stopping at some of the historic ranches along the way. We ended our day at the oyster farm. The Black Turnstones were found in abundance with a large flock of Marbled Godwits moving throughout the marsh. The flocks lifted on several occasions providing a great display in which to end our day and head home.



One of three Great Horned Owls observed this day – Image taken by trip participant Karin Bredfeldt. View over the fish docks - How many birders does it take to jump a battery? - Fantastic view from Chimney Rocks and heading home over the Golden Gate Bridge – All taken by Lisa Myers

**Total Species Counted for the Day = 68 includes heard only**

Mallard	Turkey Vulture	Black Bellied Plover	Chestnut Backed Chickadee
American Wigeon	White Tailed Kite	Killdeer	Bewick's Wren
Northern Pintail	Osprey	Rock Pigeon	Marsh Wren
Bufflehead	Northern Harrier	Band Tailed Pigeon	Ruby Crowned Kinglet
Green Winged Teal	Red Shouldered Hawk	Eurasian Collared Dove	Yellow Rumped Warbler
California Quail	Red-tail Hawk	Great Horned Owl	California Towhee
Common Loon	Ferruginous Hawk - distant	Anna's Hummingbird	Song Sparrow
Pacific Loon	Cooper's Hawk	Acorn Woodpecker	White Crowned Sparrow
Horned Grebe	American Kestrel	Northern Flicker	Golden Crown Sparrow
Western Grebe	American Coot	Hairy Woodpecker	Lincoln Sparrow
Double Crested Cormorant	California Gull	Black Phoebe	Dark-Eyed Junco
Brandt's Cormorant	Western Gull	Says Phoebe	Red Winged Blackbird
American White Pelican	Dowitchers	Western Scrub-Jay	Tri-Colored Blackbird
Brown Pelican	Marbled Godwits	Steller's Jay	Brewer's Blackbird
Great Blue Heron	Pigeon Guillemot	American Crow	House Finch
Great Egret	Black Turnstone	Common Raven	American Goldfinch
Snowy Egret	Least Sandpipers	Cliff Swallow	House Sparrow