

Party	Leader/Observers	Date	# in party	Party hours	Area(s) surveyed						
A	Steve Chorvas	15 Jan.	4	8.00							
B	Mark DeDea	15 Jan.	1	6.75							
C	Lynn & Allen Bowdery	15 Jan.	5	3.50	Ulster County						
D	Andrew Sigerson	15 Jan.	1	0.75	See page 2 - 3 for area description						
E	Hans & Carol Weber	15 Jan.	2	4.75							
F	Selden Spencer	15 Jan.	2	3.00							
G	Ev & Bob Rifenburg	15 Jan.	2	5.00							
H	Mark Damian	15 Jan.	1	3.00							
I											
J											
Species/Party	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	Total
Goose, White-fronted											
Snow											
Canada	221	38	24		30	167	1,083				1,563
Brant											
Swan, Mute	29	2			2						33
Trumpeter											
Tundra											
Wood Duck	1						10				11
Gadwall											
Wigeon, Eurasian											
American											
Am. Black Duck	23	23	3		1		8				58
Mallard	200	70	31		54	43	518	24			940
Mallard X Black					2						2
Blue-winged Teal											
Northern Shoveler											
Northern Pintail											
Green-winged Teal											
Canvasback		1,037									1,037
Redhead											
Ring-necked Duck	2										2
Tufted Duck											
Scaup, Greater											
Lesser											
not to species											
Eider, King											
Common											
Harlequin Duck											
Scoter, Surf											
White-winged											
Black											
not to species											
Long-tailed Duck											
Bufflehead				2							2
Goldeneye, Common	27	17	40	35		1					120
Barrow's											
Merganser, Hooded											
Common	58	25	9	4	118	7	6	16			243
Red-breasted					1						1
Ruddy Duck											
Loon, Red-throated											
Common	1										1
Grebe, Pied-billed											
Horned	3										3
Red-necked											
Eared											
Cormorant, D.-crested											
Great											
American Coot											
Other/Unidentified											
TOTAL OF ABOVE	565	1,212	107	41	208	218	1,625	40			4,016

Ulster County - Field Parties, Effort, Area Descriptions, and Count Analysis**Group A:** Steve Chorvas, Carroll Arkema, Al Brayton, Mairead Stack (8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.) 8.00 hours

- 08:00 am-09:15 am – The Great Vly, Saugerties (Mute Swan-14, Wood Duck-1, Am. Black Duck-4, Mallard-2, Ring-necked Duck-2)
- 09:25 am-09:40 am – Hudson River- Bristol Beach State Park, Saugerties (Common Merganser-3)
- 09:50 am-10:00 am – Hudson River- Malden Park (Common Merganser -1)
- 10:05 am-10:20 am – Esopus Creek- Lighthouse Drive below dam, Saugerties (Mute Swan-1, Mallard-21, Common Merganser-27)
- 10:25 am-11:40 am – Hudson River- Saug. Lighthouse (Canada Goose-59, Mute Swan-10, Am. Black Duck-19, Common Goldeneye-27, Common Merganser-12)
- 11:45 am-12:05 pm – Esopus Creek- Saugerties Beach above dam (Canada Goose-12, Mute Swan-4, Mallard-2, Common Merganser-3)
- 12:10 pm-12:25 pm – Hudson River- Glasco Riverfront Park
- 12:35 pm-12:55 pm – Esopus Creek- Saugerties south to Glenerie Falls
- 01:15 pm-01:45 pm – Lomontville corn fields; Esopus Creek, Hurley
- 02:10 pm-03:00 pm – Ashokan Reservoir, lower basin (Com. Merganser-12, Common Loon-1, Horned Grebe-3) Esopus Creek outflow
- 03:00 pm-03:15 pm – Ashokan Reservoir, upper basin
- 03:45 pm-03:55 pm – Stone Ridge Pond [CA, MS] (Canada Goose-150, Mallard-175)
- 03:50 pm-03:55 pm – Saugerties Reservoir [SC]

Group B: Mark DeDea (7:00 a.m.- 1:45 p.m.) 6.75 hours

- 07:00 am-08:30 am – Hudson River- Ulster Landing County Park (Mallard-5, Common Merganser-3)
- 08:45 am-09:45 am – Hudson River- Rider Park (Mallard-3, Canvasback-275, Common Goldeneye-4, Common Merganser-12)
- 09:45 am-10:35 am – Hudson River- Ulster Town Park (Canvasback-400, Common Goldeneye-2)
- 10:45 am-11:15 am – Hudson River- East Kingston/First Ave./Tilcon (Canvasback-320, Common Merganser-10)
- 11:30 am-12:30 pm – Hudson River- Brickyard/North Street, East Kingston (Canvasback-42, Com. Goldeneye-11)
- 12:45 pm-01:00 pm – Esopus Creek- Ulster, Kingston, Hurley (Canada Goose-38, Am. Black Duck-23, Mallard-62)
- 01:15 pm-01:45 pm – Esopus Creek- South to Fording Place, Hurley (Mute Swan-2)
Esopus Creek- Brigham Lane/Glenerie Blvd, Ulster; Clint Finger Road, Saugerties

Group C: Lynn & Allan Bowdery, Tom Crepet, Ruth Elwell, Jane Vecchione (12:30 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.) 3.5 hours

- 12:30 pm-01:25 pm – Rondout Creek- Rosendale to Bloomington (Am. Black Duck-3, Mallard-23)
01:30 pm – New Salem Lake, New Salem (Canada Goose-24)
- 01:35 pm-02:10 pm – Rondout Creek- Bloomington to Port Ewen (Mallard-4)
02:20 pm – Rondout Creek- Sleightsburgh (Mallard-4, Common Merganser-2)
02:35 pm – Hudson River- Kingston Point (Common Goldeneye-40)
03:45 pm – Hudson River- Sleightsburgh / Port Ewen (Common Merganser-7)

Group D: Andrew Sigerson (1:30 p.m.- 2:15 p.m.) 0.75 hours

- 01:30 pm-02:15 pm – Hudson River- River Road, Esopus / Esopus Meadows
(Bufflehead-2, Common Goldeneye-35, Common Merganser-4)

Group E: Hans & Carol Weber (12:30 p.m.- 5:10 p.m.) 4.75 hours

- 12:35 pm – Hudson River- Mid-Hudson Bridge, Highland (Common Merganser-1 M)
- 12:50 pm – Hudson River- South of Mid-Hudson Bridge, Highland (Common Merganser-2 M)
- 02:00 pm-02:15 pm – Hudson River- Parker Street, Esopus (Am. Black Duck-1, Common Merganser-96)
- 03:15 pm – Hudson River- Winding Brook Road, Esopus / Black Creek confluence
- 04:05 pm – Hudson River- Dock Road Marina to Orange County line, Marlboro
- 04:30 pm – Hudson River- Yacht Club, Marlboro (Common Merganser-19, Red-breasted Merganser-1 F)
- 05:10 pm – Hudson River- Old Indian Trail, Milton
Riverknoll Resort Pond, Milton (Canada Goose-30, Mute Swan-2, Mallard-54, Hyb-2)

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Group F: Selden Spencer, John Kenny (9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.) 3.00 hours

09:30 am- 12:30 pm – Wallkill River- Orange County line (Wallkill) north to Tillson. (Canada Goose-167, Mallard-43, Common Goldeneye-1, Common Merganser-7)

Group G: Ev & Bob Rifenburg (10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.) 5.00 hours

Cooper Lake

Sawkill Creek- Zena to Lake Katrine (Mallards-7, Common Merganser-1)

Kingston Reservoirs #1 and #4 (Mallard-1, Common Merganser-1)

Esopus Creek- Leggs Mills Rd bridge, Lake Katrine (Canada Goose-1000, Mallard-500, Wood Duck-10)

Rondout Creek- Accord to High Falls (Canada Goose-83, Am. Black Duck-8, Mallard-8, Common Merganser-4)

Williams Lake / Binnewater Lakes (Mallard-2)

Group H: Mark Damian (10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.) 3.00 hours

10:00 am- 10:30 am – Plattekill Creek- Ulster County line (Saugerties) south.

10:50 am – Onteora Lake

11:00 am – Kenozia Lake (Mallard-24)

11:15 am- 11:45 am – Esopus Creek- west of (above) Ashokan Reservoir

12:20 pm-01:00 pm – Rondout Reservoir, Ulster County section (Common Merganser-16)

Weather and Field Conditions

Temperatures ranged from 28-34 degrees (F), with considerable overcast early to mid-day, partly sunny skies by late afternoon. Winds were pleasantly calm and there was no precipitation on count day. Major bodies of water were open and calm; moving streams and creeks were running strong and high, creating inhospitable conditions in all but a few backwaters. Smaller ponds, lakes, and reservoirs were largely frozen. Cornfields were predominantly covered with a thin layer of snow encased in a hard, icy crust. No waterfowl were observed in traditionally productive fields.

Temperatures during the week preceding the count were generally above average, with extreme highs of 58° F on 13 January and 62° F on 14 January.