



Greater Akron Audubon Society

Christmas Bird Feeder Count
December 20, 2015

Dear Bird Feeder Counter,

Please find your attached Feeder Count Form in this email. You can enter your numbers directly on the Excel form and return by email or if you prefer to enter your numbers by pen or pencil you can make a copy of the PDF form and mail the completed form to: **Marie Morgan, 703 Shady Hollow Lane, Akron, OH 44313**. Any problems call Marie at 330-867-9850.

Counting the birds at your feeders will require only as much time or as little time you want to spend observing your feeders. For example you can spend a few minutes observing your feeders at different times during the day or you can spend one extended period of time counting the birds. Here is how you would calculate your total time for the day. If you observe your feeders for 5 minutes each hour for 8 hours you will record 5 minutes times 8 hours or 40 minutes on the form. Please know that we do not want the Feeder Count to interfere with any of your Christmas Holiday preparations.

We know that it is difficult to count birds of one species as they keep flying in and out of the feeders. Here is a tip in counting the total number of birds of one species. You count the highest number. For example, if you see 4 Chickadees at one time and 8 later on, record 8, which is the highest number. However, if later, you see 14 Chickadees you record 14 and not add it to the previous number of 8. Another example is if there are 20 Cardinals sitting in your trees and 2 at the feeders, you report 22 Cardinals. Your whole yard is your observation area.

We thank you for your participation in our yearly Christmas Bird Feeder Count. Your participation in the Christmas Bird Feeder Count is greatly appreciated. The birds observed at your feeders are important to our annual bird count totals.

Happy Holidays from your compilers,

Marie Morgan
Bill Osborne
Bert Szabo

GREATER AKRON AUDUBON SOCIETY CHRISTMAS BIRD FEEDER COUNT CHECKLIST

December 20, 2015

Email Address _____ Phone # _____

Total Observation Time in Minutes _____

Name _____

Address _____

	Canada Goose		Northern Flicker		White-crowned Sparrow
	Wood Duck		Pileated Woodpecker		Dark-eyed Junco
	Mallard		Blue Jay		Northern Cardinal
	Wild Turkey		American Crow		Red-winged Blackbird
	Great Blue Heron		Black-capped Chickadee		Rusty Blackbird
	Sharp-shinned Hawk		Tufted Titmouse		Common Grackle
	Cooper's Hawk		Red-breasted Nuthatch		Brown-headed Cowbird
	Red-tailed Hawk		White-breasted Nuthatch		Purple Finch
	Red-shouldered Hawk		Brown Creeper		House Finch
	Merlin		Carolina Wren		Common Redpoll
	Ring-billed Gull		Eastern Bluebird		Pine Siskin
	Herring Gull		American Robin		American Goldfinch
	Rock Pigeon (Pigeon)		European Starling		Evening Grosbeak
	Mourning Dove		Cedar Waxwing		House Sparrow
	Red-bellied Woodpecker		American Tree Sparrow		
	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker		Fox Sparrow		
	Downy Woodpecker		Song Sparrow		
	Hairy Woodpecker		White-throated Sparrow		

Total Species _____ **Total Birds** _____