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Point Pelee National Park Migration Update for Sunday May 2, 2010

Another round of thundershowers rolled through the Park early this morning (5:30 a.m.) raising hopes of a grounding of migrants. Unfortunately that didn't materialize but a number of interesting birds have been reported keeping excitement and expectations high. The WORM-EATING WARBLER spotted at the Dunes yesterday afternoon was re-found this morning. While people were observing it a PRAIRIE WARBLER sang once and was soon tracked down and seen by many.

Another WORM-EATING WARBLER was also discovered in Tilden's Woods on the Park's guided walk. Around the corner from that bird a brilliant male HOODED WARBLER sang and showed itself to many others. Also present in Tilden's Woods were numerous NORTHERN WATERTHRUSHES, FEMALE SCARLET TANAGER, YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO, BLUE-WINGED WARBLER, RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER, a pair of WOOD DUCKS, and a sprinkling of other warbler species.

Other birds reported from within the Park included a lone WILLET at the Tip first thing this morning as well as a LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL. A little ways up the west beach a Red-throated Loon was spotted (also early). A MARSH WREN was spotted at the Visitor Centre and another at the Tip. A GOSHAWK was also seen flying over the road near the DeLaurier Homestead.

A LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH and YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO were in the Woodland Nature Trail.

A SOLITARY SANDPIPER was intermingling with NORTHERN WATERTHRUSHES and RED-WINGED BLACKBIRDS at the wet spot along Shuster Trail.

Finally, two BLUE-WINGED WARBLERS were at Blue Heron.

Good Birding,

Hike Leaders Pete, Karl, Todd, Justin, Marianne, John and Jeremy

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